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Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, September 1977 — Advance Information

Crude petroleum production for September amounted to 1,332,000 barrels per day, down 2.0% from 1,360,000 B/D in September 1976.

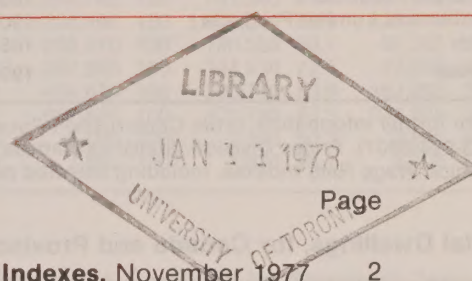
Natural gas production for the latest period averaged 9,268,000 Mcf./D, an increase of 11.5% from 8,314,000 Mcf./D.

For further information, order the September issue of *Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production* (26-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Non-Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes

November 1977 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	Nov. 1977	Oct. 1977	Nov. 1976	% Change	
				Nov./77 Oct./77	Nov./77 Nov./76
Total Index	183.4	182.9	171.1	0.3	7.2
Materials	168.5	168.3	159.2	0.1	5.8
Steel and Metal Work	172.9	172.3	175.2	0.3	-1.3
Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning	156.8	156.5	145.1	0.2	8.1
Electrical Equipment	158.3	158.6	153.1	-0.2	3.4
Concrete Products	188.7	187.8	173.5	0.5	8.8
Lumber and Lumber Products	190.7	192.2	161.7	-0.8	17.9
Other	165.7	165.5	152.3	0.1	8.8
Labour	199.9	199.1	184.3	0.4	8.5

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mrs. G. John (613-994-5807), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Union Wage Rate Indexes, including selected pay supplements are now available for November 1977.

Total Dwellings, for Canada and Provinces, 1976

	Total Dwellings	Total Private Dwellings	Private Dwellings		Occupied by Temporary Residents and/or Foreign Residents	Occupied Collective Dwellings
			Occupied Dwellings	Unoccupied Dwellings		
Canada	7,567,345	7,550,900	7,166,095	365,855	18,950	16,445
Newfoundland	141,280	141,010	131,665	8,985	360	270
Prince Edward Island	35,135	35,010	32,930	2,000	80	125
Nova Scotia	259,750	259,170	243,095	15,395	675	580
New Brunswick	201,585	201,115	190,435	10,140	545	465
Quebec	1,996,915	1,992,495	1,894,110	93,810	4,575	4,425
Ontario	2,773,230	2,768,190	2,634,620	126,660	6,915	5,040
Manitoba	345,700	344,930	328,005	16,150	775	770
Saskatchewan	310,415	309,590	291,155	17,615	820	830
Alberta	605,455	604,090	575,280	26,620	2,190	1,365
British Columbia	879,030	876,700	828,285	46,590	1,825	2,330
Yukon	7,315	7,235	6,495	630	105	80
Northwest Territories	11,535	11,370	10,020	1,265	85	170

Note: Figures may not add due to rounding.

Total Dwellings for Canada and Provinces, 1976 Census — Advance Information

The accompanying tabulation shows the relationship between private dwellings and collective dwellings as well as between private occupied dwellings and private unoccupied dwellings.

Further information along with more geographic detail will be published early this year in catalogue 93-801, bulletin 3.2. Additional data for private occupied dwellings will be released in various bulletins in Volume III throughout the year. These bulletins will also contain estimates of reliability as well as statements concerning possible sources of error due to coverage, response or processing. Users requiring counts of collective or unoccupied dwellings for other geographic levels are advised to contact the Census Information Services (613-996-5254), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T7.

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, November 1977 — Advance Information

Preliminary statistics for November show that 1.6 million United States visitors entered Canada, up 1.7% over November 1976. Visitors from countries other than the U.S. also increased in November by 1.8% to 54,500. The number of Canadian residents returning from trips to the U.S. decreased 2.8% to 2.3 million while 83,300 Canadians visited other countries, down 0.4% from November 1976.

For further information, order the November issue of *International Travel — Advance Information* (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact M. W. Valiquette (613-995-0847), International Travel Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Occupied Private Dwellings by Tenure for Canada and Provinces, 1971 and 1976

	1976						1971					
	Total Occupied Private Dwellings	%	Owned	%	Rented	%	Total Occupied Private Dwellings	%	Owned	%	Rented	%
Canada	7,166,095	100	4,431,235	61.8	2,734,860	38.2	6,034,510	100	3,636,925	60.3	2,397,580	39.7
Newfoundland	131,665	100	106,180	80.6	25,485	19.4	110,445	100	88,335	80.0	22,110	20.0
Prince Edward Island	32,930	100	25,225	76.6	7,700	23.4	27,880	100	20,725	74.3	7,155	25.7
Nova Scotia	243,095	100	176,055	72.4	67,040	27.6	207,510	100	147,705	71.2	59,805	28.8
New Brunswick	190,435	100	136,795	71.8	53,640	28.2	157,635	100	109,450	69.4	48,185	30.6
Quebec	1,894,110	100	953,960	50.4	940,155	49.6	1,604,785	100	761,340	47.4	843,445	52.6
Ontario	2,634,620	100	1,676,250	63.6	958,370	36.4	2,225,490	100	1,400,340	62.9	825,145	37.1
Manitoba	328,005	100	217,685	66.4	110,320	33.6	288,370	100	190,585	66.1	97,785	33.9
Saskatchewan	291,155	100	219,925	75.5	71,230	24.5	267,565	100	194,530	72.7	73,035	27.3
Alberta	575,280	100	372,825	64.8	202,455	35.2	464,615	100	296,710	63.9	167,905	36.1
British Columbia	828,285	100	540,635	65.3	287,655	34.7	667,545	100	422,780	63.3	244,765	36.7
Yukon	6,495	100	3,120	49.2	3,295	50.8	5,090	100	2,560	50.3	2,540	49.9
Northwest Territories	10,020	100	2,505	25.0	7,515	75.0	7,580	100	1,870	24.7	5,705	75.3

Note: Figures may not add due to rounding.

Occupied Private Dwellings by Tenure for Canada and Provinces, 1976 Census* — Advance Information

Census data show that in 1976 the majority (61.8%) of all occupied private dwellings in Canada were owned. This represents a slight increase of 1.5% from 1971.

The distribution of occupied private dwellings by tenure varied from province to province; but comparison with the 1971 distribution indicates stability over the five-year period. The Atlantic Provinces and Saskatchewan had the highest percentage of owned dwellings (Newfoundland 80.6%; Prince Edward Island 76.6%; Nova Scotia, 72.4%; New Brunswick 71.8%; Saskatchewan 75.5%). On the other hand, only 25.0% of all occupied private dwellings in the Northwest Territories were owned, the lowest percentage of home ownership in Canada. Quebec's percentage of owned private dwellings was lower than that of the other provinces, but had increased from 47.4% in 1971 to 50.4% in 1976.

**Data in this release were randomly rounded and have been tabulated from the 100% count rather than weighted from the 33-1/3% sample count. Future releases will also provide estimates of reliability as well as statements concerning possible sources of error due to coverage, response or processing.*

Further information along with more geographic detail will be published early this year in catalogue 93-802, bulletin 3.3. In the meantime further information on private occupied dwelling counts by type and tenure for census divisions (counties, regional districts, regional municipalities, etc.) can be obtained by contacting the Census Information Services (613-996-5254), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T7.

Occupied Private Dwellings by Structural Type for Canada and Provinces, 1976 Census* — Advance Information

In 1976, single-detached dwellings and apartments comprised the majority of occupied private dwellings in Canada (55.7% and 28.8%, respectively).

Statistics for the provinces and the territories indicate that the percentage of single-detached dwellings ranged from 39.4% in Quebec to 77% in Saskatchewan. The highest percentage of single-detached dwellings was found in Saskatchewan (77.1%), Prince Edward Island (73.8%) and Newfoundland (72.9%), followed by Manitoba (67.1%), Nova Scotia (66.9%) and New Brunswick (66.1%). By contrast, only 39.4% of all occupied private dwellings in Quebec were single-detached dwellings.

The highest percentage of apartments were found in Quebec (44.7%), Ontario (27.5%) and British Columbia (23.7%), while Newfoundland's 6% and Prince Edward Island's 9.6% were the lowest in Canada.

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Occupied Private Dwellings by Structural Type Showing Percentage Distributions for Canada and Provinces, 1976

		Total Occupied Private Dwellings	Single Detached	Total Single Attached	Single Attached		Attached to a Non-residential Structure
					Double House	Row House	
Canada		7,166,095	3,991,540	587,180	325,495	216,330	45,355
	Percent	100.0	55.7	8.2	4.5	3.0	0.6
Newfoundland		131,665	95,925	13,360	5,715	6,315	1,330
	Percent	100.0	72.9	10.1	4.3	4.8	1.0
Prince Edward Island		32,930	24,315	2,710	1,750	760	205
	Percent	100.0	73.8	8.2	5.3	2.3	0.6
Nova Scotia		243,100	162,550	17,070	10,715	5,000	1,355
	Percent	100.0	66.9	7.0	4.4	2.1	0.6
New Brunswick		190,435	125,830	10,810	5,790	3,665	1,355
	Percent	100.0	66.1	5.7	3.0	1.9	0.7
Quebec		1,894,110	745,595	123,200	71,240	33,685	18,275
	Percent	100.0	39.4	6.5	3.8	1.8	1.0
Ontario		2,634,620	1,494,465	297,950	177,665	106,980	13,305
	Percent	100.0	56.7	11.3	6.7	4.1	0.5
Manitoba		328,005	219,950	18,605	8,330	8,385	1,890
	Percent	100.0	67.1	5.7	2.5	2.6	0.6
Saskatchewan		291,153	224,510	11,600	4,760	4,665	2,175
	Percent	100.0	77.1	4.0	1.6	1.6	0.8
Alberta		575,280	372,420	43,660	18,465	22,995	2,200
	Percent	100.0	64.7	7.6	3.2	4.0	0.4
British Columbia		828,290	516,485	46,190	20,260	22,830	3,100
	Percent	100.0	62.4	5.6	2.5	2.8	0.4
Yukon		6,495	3,425	920	470	385	65
	Percent	100.0	52.7	14.2	7.2	5.9	1.0
Northwest Territories		10,020	6,070	1,105	340	670	95
	Percent	100.0	60.6	11.0	3.4	6.7	0.9

		Apartment	Duplex	Total Movable Dwellings	Movable Mobiles	Other Movable Dwellings
Canada		2,061,515	351,145	174,710	166,890	7,820
	Percent	28.8	4.9	2.4	2.3	0.1
Newfoundland		7,940	10,150	4,285	4,170	115
	Percent	6.0	7.7	3.3	3.2	0.1
Prince Edward Island		3,175	1,115	1,610	1,560	50
	Percent	9.6	3.4	4.9	4.7	0.2
Nova Scotia		37,360	12,135	13,980	13,565	420
	Percent	15.4	5.0	5.8	5.6	0.2
New Brunswick		28,755	13,020	12,020	11,725	295
	Percent	15.1	6.8	6.4	6.2	0.2
Quebec		847,430	149,995	27,885	26,390	1,495
	Percent	44.7	7.9	1.5	1.4	0.1
Ontario		723,930	95,485	22,785	21,575	1,210
	Percent	27.5	3.6	0.9	0.8	0.1
Manitoba		71,675	9,860	7,915	7,690	225
	Percent	21.9	3.0	2.4	2.3	0.1
Saskatchewan		34,325	9,830	10,890	10,240	650
	Percent	11.8	3.4	3.7	3.5	0.2
Alberta		108,190	22,760	28,245	27,360	885
	Percent	18.8	4.0	5.0	4.8	0.2
British Columbia		195,980	26,520	43,100	40,750	2,350
	Percent	23.7	3.2	5.2	4.9	0.3
Yukon		1,060	185	900	825	75
	Percent	16.3	2.9	13.9	12.7	1.2
Northwest Territories		1,685	75	1,075	1,030	45
	Percent	16.8	0.8	10.8	10.3	0.5

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Production of Eggs and Poultry, November 1977 —
Advance Information

Egg production in Canada at 35.5 million dozen in November was the same as a year earlier. The average number of layers was down 1.4% to 22.8 million from 23.1 million while the number of eggs per 100 layers increased 1.1% to 1,865 from 1,844. Farm price of eggs sold for market decreased 7.1% to 61.2¢ a dozen from 65.9¢ a dozen in November 1976.

For further information, order the November issue of *Production of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact J.H. Dickson (613-994-9964), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

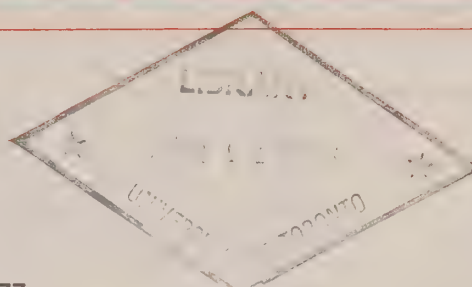
Steel Ingots, Week Ended December 31, 1977 —
Advance Information

Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended December 31 was 228,365 short tons (207 169 t), a decrease of 12.0% from the preceding week's total of 259,573 short tons (235 481 t). The comparable week's total in 1976 was 241,253 tons (218 861 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 124.6 in the current week, 141.7 a week earlier and 131.7 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Coal and Coke Statistics, August 1977 (45-002, 40¢/\$4)

Oils and Fats, October 1977 (32-006, 30¢/\$3)

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, December 1, 1977 (32-010, 30¢/\$3)

Advance Estimates of Employees

October 1977

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Number of Employees						Seasonally adjusted			
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations									
	Oct. 1977f	Sept. 1977p	Aug. 1977r	July 1977r	Oct. 1976	Sept. 1976	Oct. 1977f	Sept. 1977p	Aug. 1977r	July 1977r
	(000's)									
Industry Division										
Forestry	74.6	75.3	78.5	77.9	63.8	67.7	68.1	65.5	65.0	65.3
Mining (including milling)	141.4	141.0	149.0	150.2	137.1	137.5	141.7	141.1	145.0	145.5
Manufacturing	1,804.8	1,809.4	1,828.0	1,802.0	1,784.9	1,792.8	1,790.7	1,780.2	1,788.5	1,782.5
Construction	514.3	517.1	531.2	513.3	496.2	467.0	470.1	465.0	472.1	463.3
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	822.2	819.0	817.3	814.7	795.3	800.0	817.4	807.1	806.4	790.6
Trade	1,443.5	1,428.7	1,412.7	1,390.0	1,414.3	1,390.4	1,423.8	1,428.2	1,428.8	1,399.0
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	487.7	487.1	488.2	481.6	442.2	439.2	489.0	487.6	485.0	474.8
Total Service	2,523.4	2,503.1	2,381.1	2,378.9	2,390.8	2,371.1	2,491.4	2,486.4	2,525.4	2,484.8
Non-commercial Service	1,408.9	1,378.2	1,221.9	1,235.7	1,381.9	1,351.2	1,375.8	1,373.6	1,409.4	1,386.4
Commercial Service	1,114.5	1,125.0	1,159.2	1,143.3	1,008.8	1,019.9	1,115.6	1,112.8	1,115.9	1,098.5
Public Administration and Defence(1)	619.4	625.8	650.2	654.0	601.0	612.6	631.3	626.4	623.5	617.7
Total Non-agricultural Industries(2)	8,437.2	8,416.2	8,347.1	8,274.5	8,133.4	8,087.8	8,329.7	8,295.9	8,347.9	8,232.6
Total Non-agricultural Industries										
Newfoundland	135.5	135.7	138.4	137.7	131.3	134.2	131.5	129.6	130.7	130.0
Prince Edward Island	30.3	30.9	32.7	32.8	29.1	30.7	29.3	29.1	30.2	29.9
Nova Scotia	245.7	247.3	253.7	252.3	243.2	243.4	242.4	241.8	246.2	243.5
New Brunswick	196.1	196.4	201.2	203.2	191.4	193.6	192.7	188.4	190.6	192.0
Quebec	2,181.9	2,171.9	2,130.8	2,098.9	2,085.3	2,050.5	2,141.1	2,132.2	2,167.2	2,132.3
Ontario	3,361.5	3,349.5	3,335.3	3,308.5	3,259.2	3,257.9	3,330.3	3,317.2	3,329.9	3,281.5
Manitoba	353.8	353.5	353.0	352.1	348.1	347.1	350.0	348.8	350.1	347.9
Saskatchewan	256.2	257.1	251.5	250.8	250.6	249.6	254.1	254.0	250.8	246.2
Alberta	729.3	725.1	724.3	720.0	688.1	685.4	723.6	718.2	714.9	703.6
British Columbia	918.6	915.9	891.2	882.9	878.9	865.0	906.4	906.0	906.6	894.5
Canada(3)	8,437.2	8,416.2	8,347.1	8,274.5	8,133.4	8,087.8	8,329.7	8,295.9	8,347.9	8,232.6

f first estimate based on a limited number of returns

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(1) Excludes military personnel

(2) Includes Fishing and Trapping

(3) Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories

Estimates of Employees, October 1977 — Advance Information

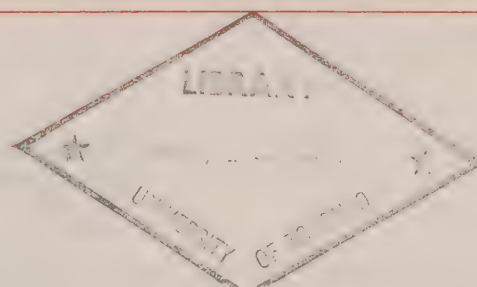
Monthly estimates of employment by province and industry for the period 1961 to 1974 have already been published in Catalogue 72-514. Revised and updated data from January 1961 to December 1976 inclusive will be included in an historical publication; this publication, to be released early this year, will also contain notes on concepts and methods.

Monthly summary data is released on a regular basis in the Statistics Canada Daily, while detailed monthly

information will be published in Catalogue 72-008, *Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry*.

Data from 1961 to 1976 are available on request from Mr. G. Mahoney (613-992-3868), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

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New Surveys, Notes on Statistical Survey Activity Within the Federal Government (11-006, N/C)

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Provincial Government Employment, July-September 1977 — Advance Information

The general government services in Canada's provincial and territorial governments (excluding British Columbia) reported gross payrolls for the third quarter of 1977 of \$1,245.7 million, an increase of 4.7% over the \$1,187.7 million reported for the previous quarter of April-June 1977. The number of employees reported for the last pay period in September was 367,038, a decrease of 0.6% from the 369,252 reported for the same period in June 1977.

For further information, order the third quarter issue of *Provincial Government Employment* (72-007, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact Mr. T. D. Harris (613-995-0676), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Motor Vehicle Production, November 1977 — Advance Information

Production of passenger cars totalled 106,744 units in November compared to 108,423 in November 1976. January to November production was 1,080,346 units in 1977 compared to 1,047,725 in 1976.

Production of all commercial vehicles totalled 64,439 units in November compared to 49,017 in November 1976. Year-to-date production rose to 563,632 units from 461,277.

For further information, order the November issue of *Motor Vehicle Shipments* (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Salt, November 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian shipments of salt and salt content of brine decreased to 661,373 short tons in November from 713,166 short tons in November 1976. This brought the 11-months output to 5,910,101 short tons in 1977 from 5,800,949 short tons in 1976.

For further information, order the November issue of *Salt* (26-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Coal and Coke Statistics, August 1977 — Advance Information

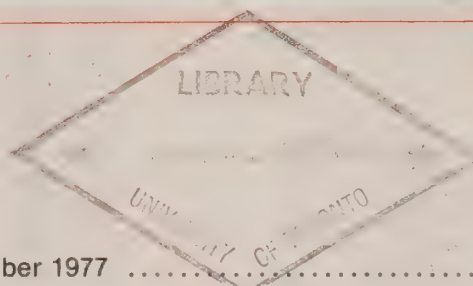
August coal production increased 5.6% to 2,222,474 tons (2 016 195 metric tons) from 2,103,945 tons (1 908 667 metric tonnes) a year earlier. Imports increased to 1,550,825 tons (1 406 883 metric tonnes) from 1,456,809 tons (1 321 594 metric tonnes). Industrial consumers used 1,919,126 tons (1 741 002 metric tonnes) of coal, up 382,798 tons (347 269 metric tonnes) and 476,762 tons (432 511 metric tonnes) of coke, up 1,215 tons (1 102 metric tonnes).

For further information, order the August issue of *Coal and Coke Statistics* (45-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Energy and Minerals Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Radio Broadcasting, August 1977 (56-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables, October 1977 (32-011, 30¢/\$3)

Service Bulletins:

Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile (47-001, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 11, Floor Tiles, November 1977

Fabricated Metal Products (41-009, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 6, November 1977: No. 56, Oil Filters and Cartridges; No. 57, Cemented Tungsten Carbide Blanks and Tools

Electrical Products (43-007, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 28, Electric Lamps, November 1977

Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing

(1971=100)

	Relative Importance(1)	Index		Nov. 1976	Percent Changes		Percent Contribution to Total Change	
		Nov.* 1977	Oct.* 1977		From Nov. 1976	From Oct. 1977	Nov. 1977	Nov. 1977
Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing	100.0	177.1	176.3	163.6	0.5	8.3	100.0	100.0
SIC Major Groups:								
1. Food and Beverage Industries	19.9	189.1	187.7	172.2	0.7	9.8	38.0	24.9
3. Rubber and Plastics Products Industries	2.5	150.4	148.6	143.0	1.2	5.2	6.2	1.4
4. Leather Industries	0.9	175.2	174.9	163.3	0.2	7.3	0.4	0.8
5. Textile Industries	3.5	152.2	152.0	145.0	0.1	5.0	1.0	1.9
6. Knitting Mills	0.9	133.7	133.5	127.2	0.1	5.1	0.2	0.4
8. Wood Industries	4.7	195.8	196.8	170.4	-0.5	14.9	-6.5	8.9
9. Furniture and Fixture Industries	1.6	174.6	174.6	166.9	0.0	4.6	0.0	0.9
10. Paper and Allied Industries	8.2	196.8	196.3	183.5	0.3	7.2	5.6	8.1
12. Primary Metal Industries	8.4	195.1	194.2	174.7	0.5	11.7	10.3	12.6
13. Metal Fabricating Industries	7.5	175.7	175.3	164.5	0.2	6.8	4.1	6.2
14. Machinery Industries	4.4	161.3	160.9	153.7	0.2	4.9	2.4	2.5
16. Electrical Products Industries	6.8	149.9	149.5	141.1	0.3	6.2	3.7	4.4
17. Non-Metallic Mineral Products Industries	3.2	179.6	179.2	165.2	0.2	8.7	1.7	3.4
18. Petroleum and Coal Products Industries	4.2	237.1	237.1	225.9	0.0	5.0	0.0	3.5
19. Chemical and Chemical Products Industries	6.6	180.5	178.0	169.6	1.4	6.4	22.5	5.3
Other Major Groups(2)	16.7	151.9	151.4	139.9	0.3	8.6	10.4	14.8

* These indexes are preliminary.

(1) Group weights are based on 1971 value of shipments (Census of Manufacturers, 1971).

(2) Included are the following major groups: 2. Tobacco Products Industries, 7. Clothing Industries, 15. Transportation Equipment Industries, 20. Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries.

Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing (1971=100), November 1977 — Advance Information

The Industry Selling Price Index for manufacturing rose 0.5% to 177.1 in November from its revised October level of 176.3. The index was 8.3% higher than in November 1976 when it stood at 163.6. The major groups which contributed most to the November increase were food and beverage industries (up 0.7%), chemical and chemical products industries (up 1.4%) and primary metal industries (up 0.5%).

In the food and beverage group, prices of slaughtering and meat processors rose by 2.7%, fish products by 1.8% and flour and breakfast cereal products by 2.6% while those of cane and beet sugar processors registered a decrease of 3.0%.

The rise in the chemical and chemical products index was attributable mainly to an increase of 4.4% in the index for manufacturers of industrial chemicals (organic).

The change in the primary metal group index reflected price increases of 0.6% for iron and steel mills, 2.1% for iron foundries and 1.4% for steel pipe and tube mills, partly offset by a decrease of 0.2% for smelting and refining.

Urban Transit, November 1977 — Advance Information

In November, 38 urban transit systems collected 99,273,355 initial passenger fares. The total distance run was 28,850,980 miles (46 431 152 km) and their operating revenues amounted to \$33,015,661.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-996-9274), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6 or order the November issue of *Urban Transit* (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50).

Sales of Cement, November 1977 — Advance Information

Advance information on sales of cement as reported by Canadian producers for the month of November is now available.

For details, contact Gordon McWade (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

December 1977 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	Dec. 30/77 This week	Dec. 23/77 Week ago	Dec. 2/77 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	102.0	100.9	98.5
Industrials	85	96.6	95.2	91.9
Foods	9	102.0	100.2	98.0
Alcoholic beverages	5	82.1	80.6	80.3
Textiles and clothing	3	124.1	122.5	125.4
Pulp and paper	7	116.1	114.0	110.5
Printing and publishing	5	96.5	95.6	94.9
Primary metals	4	102.2	102.8	100.7
Industrial mines	6	70.6	69.5	64.4
Metal fabricating	9	180.9	182.2	180.5
Non-metallic minerals	4	94.6	93.5	91.4
Petroleum	8	109.4	106.5	102.1
Chemicals	5	102.9	101.7	101.7
Construction	5	289.6	287.0	275.5
Trade	15	82.8	82.2	81.3
Utilities and services	28	106.0	106.1	106.2
Transportation	6	128.9	129.7	132.1
Pipelines	5	93.0	93.7	93.6
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	108.8	109.0	107.5
Telephone	4	109.5	109.2	111.6
Electric power	3	137.7	137.0	137.7
Gas distribution	5	91.4	90.1	85.5
Finances	21	122.5	121.4	119.4
Banks	8	122.9	121.7	119.5
Investment and loan	9	119.2	118.3	117.4
Insurance	4	134.0	133.2	128.0
Mining Index	17	124.4	118.8	117.0
Gold	9	266.3	252.2	252.2
Base metals	8	56.4	54.9	52.2
Uraniums	2	184.8	184.2	163.1
Primary oils and gas index	5	138.2	136.7	135.6

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Carloadings.

7-day period ended December 21, 1977

	East	West	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1977	2,401,801	1,913,939	4,315,740
Short tons, 1976	2,263,188	1,975,008	4,238,196
Metric tonnes, 1977	2 178 877	1 736 296	3 915 173
Metric tonnes, 1976	2 053 130	1 791 697	3 844 827
% change	6.1	-3.1	1.8
Cars, 1977	38,399	29,863	68,262
Cars, 1976	37,891	30,613	68,504
% change	1.3	-2.4	-0.4
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1977	176,539	58,501	235,040
Short tons, 1976	147,367	52,799	200,166
Metric tonnes, 1977	160 153	53 071	213 224
Metric tonnes, 1976	133 689	47 898	181 587
% change	19.8	10.8	17.4
Cars, 1977	5,287	2,458	7,745
Cars, 1976	4,646	2,313	6,959
% change	13.8	6.3	11.3
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1977	134,878,556	110,086,931	244,965,487
Short tons, 1976	133,000,447	102,128,979	235,129,426
Metric tonnes, 1977	122 359 768	99 869 184	222 228 952
Metric tonnes, 1976	120 655 976	92 649 851	213 305 827
% change	1.4	7.8	4.2
Cars, 1977	2,117,121	1,669,588	3,786,709
Cars, 1976	2,117,968	1,583,475	3,701,443
% change	—	5.4	2.3
Piggyback traffic*:			
Short tons, 1977	8,117,333	2,842,857	10,960,190
Short tons, 1976	7,169,600	2,622,562	9,792,162
Metric tonnes, 1977	7 363 921	2 578 996	9 942 917
Metric tonnes, 1976	6 504 152	2 379 148	8 883 300
% change	13.2	8.4	11.9
Cars, 1977	247,688	123,180	370,868
Cars, 1976	232,598	110,855	343,453
% change	6.5	11.1	8.0

*Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1976 figures have been revised — 1977 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended December 21, 1977 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily

Canadian railways loaded 3.9 million t (4.3 million short tons) of revenue freight in the above week, an increase of 1.8% over the corresponding seven days in 1976. Traffic east of the Lakehead was up 6.1% in the latest period while in the West a decline of 3.1% was recorded. The number of cars loaded at 68,262 trailed the 1976 week by 0.4% (242 units).

Trailer-container (piggyback) movements, up 19.8% in the East and 10.8% in the West, registered an over-all gain of 17.4%.

In the January 1 to December 21, 1977 period, rail freight loadings aggregated 222.2 million t (245.0 million short tons), 4.2% above the year-earlier level.

Cumulative carloads numbered 3.8 million, 2.3% more than in 1976 and trailer-container (piggyback) tonnage was 11.9% higher.

For further information, contact L.E. Robbins or R.J. Staveley (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural)

November 1977

		Year-to-date 1976	Year-to-date 1977	September	October	November
Carriers Reporting* **		16 **	19	19	19	19
Revenue Earned:						
Intercity & Rural Services*	\$	111,995,217	123,171,517	12,171,073	11,223,743 ^r	10,290,822
Urban-Suburban Services	\$	255,201	282,370	22,229	22,096	21,845
Other Services (e.g. charter)	\$	16,195,172	19,851,607	1,981,963	2,049,948	1,014,153
Fare Passengers Carried:						
Intercity & Rural Services*	No.	29,717,050	30,143,827	2,894,725	2,688,017	2,545,215
Urban-Suburban Services	No.	628,388	629,994	60,457	58,552	57,686
Other Services (e.g. charter)	No.	1,810,098	2,223,087	249,365	226,248	187,060
Vehicle Miles:						
Intercity & Rural Services*	miles	108,336,706	111,490,903	10,568,527	9,806,215	9,270,657
	km	174 351 027	179 427 216	17 008 396	15 781 573	14 919 676
Urban-Suburban Services	miles	359,979	281,010	25,218	25,507	25,738
	km	579 330	452 242	40 584	41 050	41 421
Other Services (e.g. charter)	miles	12,648,099	13,152,759	1,160,247	1,350,773	748,698
	km	20 355 142	21 167 314	1 867 237	2 173 858	1 204 913
Fuel Consumed:						
Diesel Oil	gal.	17,467,913	18,202,618	1,754,963	1,621,184	1,482,647
	litres	79 410 704	82 750 740	7 978 220	7 370 048	6 740 247
Gasoline	gals.	14,373	60,665	1,278	1,267	2,964
	litres	65 340	275 789	5 810	5 760	13 475

^r Revised figures.

* Includes charter operations of one intercity bus company.

** One carrier sold his business as of March 1976.

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural), November 1977 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily

The accompanying table contains statistics on passenger bus carriers earning \$500,000 or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations. Cumulative data for the year serves as preliminary information on a significant portion of the industry until definitive annual statistics are available. Figures have been added showing total distance run and fuel consumed, using the International System of Units. This is the most modern version of the metric system, supported by the International Bureau of Weights and Measures. It is the system of units which Canada is adopting.

The following observations apply to the data in this release:

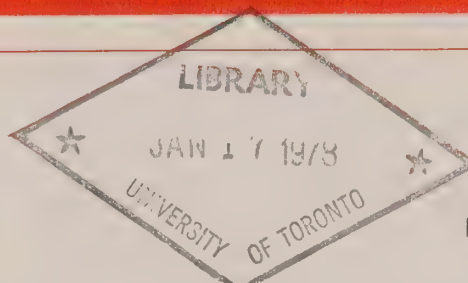
- Data relating to other services such as charter or contract are specific to the surveyed passenger bus carriers and are not indicative of over-all charter and contract operations.

- Passengers paying a fare to the operator of one vehicle and travelling on a second or third vehicle on a transfer are counted for the first vehicle only.
- Total distance run in a revenue service includes distance run empty which was necessary to provide the revenue service.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-996-9274), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Apparent Per Capita Domestic Disappearance of Food in Canada, 1976 (32-226, \$1.05)

Construction Price Statistics, Fourth Quarter 1977 (62-008, \$1.40/\$5.60)

Culture Statistics, 1974 (87-655, 70¢)

Department Store Sales by Region, November 1977 (63-004, 15¢/\$1.50)



Foreign Direct Investment in Canada, 1975 — Advance Information

The book value of foreign direct investment in Canada totalled \$39,838 million at the end of 1975, an annual increase of 10% which continued the pattern of steady growth in recent years. (Direct investment is the largest single component of Canada's over-all liabilities to non-residents and covers long-term capital, debt, equity and retained earnings attributable to the country of control, for use in Canada by direct investment enterprises.) In absolute terms, the growth of \$3.7 billion in this accumulated stock of foreign investment exceeded the record increase of \$3.5 billion registered in 1974. Present estimates indicate that undistributed earnings accruing to direct investors accounted for over two-thirds of this expansion, an amount, however, lower than the \$2.8 billion advance recorded in 1974. Net direct investment capital inflows, as recorded in the balance of payments, amounted to \$670 million, down from the \$700 million levels recorded in the previous two years. Other factors, such as revaluations, reclassifications and similar accounting adjustments, also contributed to the increase in these external liabilities. The five countries that accounted for the largest additions to the position were the United States, the United Kingdom, Belgium and Luxembourg, France and the Netherlands.

Geographical Distribution

Direct investment owned in the U.S. rose by 11%, the same rate as in the preceding year, to \$32,194 million, to comprise 81% of total foreign direct investment in Canada at the end of 1975. The growth of \$3.2 billion was spread over all the industrial categories with the largest increases occurring in petroleum and natural gas, iron and products, financial industries, chemical and allied products, and mining and smelting. Investment in petroleum and natural gas rose by 9% or \$659 million despite the acquisition of most of the oil and gas interests of a large U.S.-controlled company by the Canada Development Corporation. United Kingdom direct investors increased their investment in Canada by 5% to \$3,717 million, to comprise 9% of the total. Over one-half of the advance of \$192 million was registered in manufacturing followed by increases in financial industries and merchandising.

The next five largest direct investors in Canada were continental European countries. The Netherlands and France added 12% and 13% to their stock of direct investment, which rose to \$678 million and \$665 million, respectively. Direct investment from the EEC countries, excluding the United Kingdom, totalled \$2,312 million, up by an impressive 15% over 1974. Direct investment owned in Switzerland rose by 16% to \$477 million from \$411 million, largely in the financial and manufacturing industries. There was a decline in investment owned in other European countries to \$181 million at 1975 year-end, due largely to a decrease by Finland. Sizeable increases were registered in direct investment owned in the Bahamas, Bermuda and Panama, considered as tax-haven countries, to \$90 million, \$77 million and \$69 million, respectively. Direct investment owned in Africa declined to \$93 million while investment by Japanese investors remained unchanged at \$258 million. Following an

increase of 32% in 1974, investment owned in developing countries continued at this pace, rising by 34% to \$373 million.

Industrial Distribution

Manufacturing registered the largest absolute increase, growing by \$1,545 million to \$16,297 million, to comprise 41% of total direct investment in Canada. Investment in petroleum and natural gas increased by 8% to \$9,550 million to comprise 24% of total investment. An advance of 14% in the financial sector to \$4,902 million was due largely to sales finance and insurance enterprises. Foreign direct investors increased their investment in mining and smelting, and merchandising by \$309 million and \$286 million to \$4,341 million and \$2,668 million, respectively. Investment in utilities registered a sizeable growth of 17% to \$601 million. Within manufacturing all of the sub-sectors recorded gains in direct investment with the largest (\$476 million) occurring in iron and products to \$5,185 million, followed by chemicals and allied products with an increase of \$305 million to \$2,605 million.

In 1975 all of the industrial categories registered increases for direct investment owned in the U.S., with the largest growths being recorded in manufacturing, with \$1,384 million, followed by petroleum and natural gas, with \$659 million, and financial industries, with \$373 million. At the end of 1975, \$13,816 million or about 43% of direct investment owned in the U.S. was invested in manufacturing with the largest amounts in iron and products, chemicals and allied products, and wood and paper products. The extractive industries were also very important as petroleum and natural gas at \$7,805 million, and mining and smelting at \$3,672 million, accounted for 24% and 11% of total U.S. investment in Canada. Investment in the financial industries, at \$3,042 million, was largely in insurance, sales finance and real estate firms.

At the end of 1975, some \$1,213 million or about one-third of United Kingdom direct investment was concentrated in manufacturing. This investment was concentrated largely in the chemicals and allied products, wood and paper products and iron and products sub-sectors. Investment in the financial sector, mainly in insurance and real estate firms, amounted to \$1,011 million, comprising 27% of United Kingdom investment in Canada while investment in petroleum and natural gas, with \$743 million, represented 20%.

About 32% of direct investment owned by residents of "all other countries" was in manufacturing, a drop from 34% at 1974 year-end. Of the \$1,268 million invested in this major industry group, wood and paper products comprised \$420 million followed by non-metallic minerals with \$300 million. Investment in petroleum and natural gas rose moderately by 4% to \$1,002 million to comprise 26% of total direct investment from this group of countries. Investment in the financial sector advanced by an impressive 27% to \$849 million to comprise 22% of total investment from these countries at the end of 1975.

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Foreign-controlled Investment in Canada, 1975 — Geographical Distribution

The book value of total long-term capital employed in foreign-controlled enterprises in Canada at the end of 1975 amounted to \$56,881 million, an increase of 12% compared to an advance of 9% in the previous year. (Foreign-controlled investment comprises foreign direct investment, capital from Canadian investors and portfolio investment from other foreign countries in foreign-controlled enterprises in Canada.)

U.S.-controlled investment in Canada at 1975 year-end rose by 13% to \$41,731 million to comprise 73% of total foreign-controlled investment. United Kingdom-controlled capital increased more moderately to \$7,663 million to comprise 13% of the total. EEC countries (excluding the United Kingdom) with \$4,793 million accounted for 8% of total foreign-controlled investment. Developed countries, with \$56,284 million in foreign-controlled capital, accounted for 99% of the total. Foreign-controlled investment by developing countries amounted to \$577 million while \$20 million was employed in enterprises controlled by centrally-planned economies.

Total foreign-controlled investment at the end of 1975 was 43% above the book value of foreign direct investment (\$39,838 million), the same ratio as in 1973 and 1972 after declining to 41% in 1974. (The ratio of foreign-controlled investment to foreign direct investment represents, basically, an indication of the ability or willingness of foreign-controlled enterprises in Canada to obtain financing from investors outside the country of control.)

For further information, contact F. Chow (613-996-2545), Balance of Payments Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z8.

(see tables on pages 4, 5 & 6)

Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, January-November 1977 — Advance Information

Sales of farm implements and equipment (including repair parts) for January to November 1977 were valued at \$1,171.3 million, a decrease of 4.5% from the January-November 1976 figure of \$1,226.6 million.

Repair parts for the latest period had a value of \$152.7 million compared with \$148.1 million in 1976.

For further information, order the November issue of *Farm Implement and Equipment Sales* (63-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact the Merchandising and Services Division (613-996-9307), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Abrasives Manufacturers, 1976 — Advance Information

Abrasives manufacturers shipped \$130.9 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 28.5% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 25.5% to \$55.1 million, the number of employees increased 9.4% to 2,535 and total salaries and wages increased 17.4% to \$31.1 million.

For further information, contact J.L. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published later in *Abrasives Manufacturers*, 1976 (44-202, 70¢).

Lime Manufacturers, 1976 — Advance Information

Lime manufacturers shipped \$53.8 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 21.4% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 20.5% to \$30 million, the number of employees increased 1.8% to 804 and total salaries and wages increased 16.5% to \$10.6 million.

For further information, contact J.L. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published later in *Lime Manufacturers*, 1976 (44-209, 70¢).

Rental of Automobiles, Trucks, Machinery and Equipment, 1976 — Advance Information

In 1976 there were 549 establishments primarily engaged in rental and leasing of automobiles and trucks with operating revenues of \$374.5 million. These establishments reported 50 working proprietors and 5,063 paid employees with salaries and wages totalling \$50.2 million.

A further 590 establishments were primarily engaged in rental and leasing of machinery and equipment with operating revenues of \$279.1 million. There were 97 working proprietors and 6,541 paid employees who received salaries and wages of \$70.9 million.

For further information, order the 1976 edition of *Rental of Automobiles, Trucks, Machinery and Equipment* (63-533, 70¢), or contact Mrs. R. Bennett (613-996-9301), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Oil Pipeline Transport, October 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian oil pipe lines received 2,263,100 barrels per day (359 804 m3D) of crude oil, condensate, pentanes plus and refined petroleum product in October, a decrease of 6.2% from the 2,414,400 B/D (383 859 m3D) received a year earlier. Receipts of domestic petroleum and products decreased 3.7% to 2,018,700 B/D (320 948 m3D), while imported petroleum and products receipts decreased 23.1% to 244,400 B/D (38 857 m3D).

For further information, order the October issue of *Oil Pipe Line Transport* (55-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Iron Ore, November 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian mines shipped 6,499,166 short tons of iron ore in November compared to 5,796,432 short tons a year earlier. This brought the 11-months output to 54,462,807 short tons in 1977 from 57,526,419 short tons in 1976.

For further information, order the November issue of *Iron Ore* (26-005, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Foreign Direct Investment* in Canada, Year-Ends 1971-75
Classification by Area of Ownership

	1971	1972r	1973r	1974r	1975
	(\$ millions)				
Area					
North America and Caribbean:					
United States	22,443	23,679	26,113	28,996	32,194
Bahamas	79	86	66	77	90
Bermuda	36	31	35	51	77
Mexico	8	11	7	10	14
Netherlands Antilles	7	7	8	5	15
Other	10	10	10	10	19
Sub-total	22,583	23,824	26,239	29,149	32,409
South and Central America:					
Panama	28	39	40	50	69
Venezuela	3	3	2	1	4
Other	3	3	9	8	2
Sub-total	34	45	51	59	75
Europe:					
United Kingdom	2,715	2,821	3,151	3,525	3,717
European Economic Community** (excluding U.K.):					
Belgium and Luxembourg	263	280	347	360	443
France	442	510	620	586	665
Italy	70	69	66	70	70
Netherlands	460	478	559	607	678
West Germany	269	317	361	370	434
Sub-total	1,504	1,654
Denmark	13	13	23	21	17
Ireland	2	4	5	3	5
Sub-total	1,981	2,017	2,312
Norway	6	16	10	13	11
Sweden	158	181	192	214	222
Switzerland	358	388	395	411	477
Austria	4	3	3	4	4
Other	110	132	138	189	181
Sub-total	4,870	5,212	5,870	6,373	6,924
Africa	196	160	171	185	93
Asia:					
Japan	187	194	250	258	258
Hong Kong	19	24	22	15	20
Other	10	10	11	12	16
Sub-total	216	228	283	285	294
Australasia:					
Australia	14	19	32	40	35
Other	5	8	6	10	8
Sub-total	19	27	38	50	43
Total	27,918	29,496	32,652	36,101	39,838
Developed Countries — total	27,715	29,267	32,437	35,808	39,445
Developing Countries — total	202	227	211	279	373
Centrally Planned Economies—total	1	2	4	14	20

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* Direct investment covers investment in branches, subsidiaries and controlled companies.

** Effective January 1, 1973, Denmark, Ireland and the United Kingdom became members of the European Economic Community.

Foreign Direct Investment in Canada, Year-Ends 1971-75, Classification by Industry Group

Industry Group	1971	1972r	1973r	1974r	1975	1971	1972r	1973r	1974r	1975
	(\$ millions)									
	Owned in United States					Owned in United Kingdom				
Manufacturing:										
Vegetable products	988	1,079	1,206	1,395	1,571	140	142	146	169	184
Animal products	250	247	296	328	348	9	10	8	7	6
Textiles	191	219	242	292	320	55	60	60	69	77
Wood and paper products	1,844	1,936	1,935	2,071	2,155	144	139	165	235	262
Iron and products	3,242	3,532	3,957	4,416	4,843	143	171	190	191	220
Non-ferrous metals	1,007	1,146	1,252	1,374	1,606	57	73	78	100	108
Non-metallic minerals	250	279	309	353	430	48	57	70	70	68
Chemicals and allied products	1,379	1,470	1,633	1,915	2,196	249	214	217	271	285
Miscellaneous manufactures	238	226	249	288	347	2	2	2	3	3
Sub-totals	9,389	10,134	11,079	12,432	13,816	847	868	936	1,115	1,213
Petroleum and natural gas	5,761	6,037	6,746	7,146	7,805	597	602	665	728	743
Mining and smelting	3,057	2,909	3,149	3,397	3,672	160	162	169	277	281
Utilities	356	463	469	474	561	52	53	43	6	4
Merchandising	1,397	1,432	1,649	1,861	2,104	294	235	252	288	318
Financial	1,857	1,999	2,216	2,669	3,042	666	787	954	971	1,011
Other enterprises	626	705	805	1,017	1,194	99	114	132	140	147
Totals	22,443	23,679	26,113	28,996	32,194	2,715	2,821	3,151	3,525	3,717
	Owned in All Other Countries					Owned by All Non-Residents				
Manufacturing:										
Vegetable products	113	124	147	184	142	1,241	1,345	1,499	1,748	1,897
Animal products	22	18	21	33	45	281	275	325	368	399
Textiles	7	5	13	22	16	253	284	315	383	413
Wood and paper products	322	394	418	422	420	2,310	2,469	2,518	2,728	2,837
Iron and products	65	72	73	102	122	3,450	3,775	4,220	4,709	5,185
Non-ferrous metals	55	59	78	81	90	1,119	1,278	1,408	1,555	1,804
Non-metallic minerals	125	162	244	238	300	423	498	623	661	798
Chemicals and allied products	118	137	151	114	124	1,746	1,821	2,001	2,300	2,605
Miscellaneous manufactures	5	6	7	9	9	245	234	258	300	359
Sub-totals	832	977	1,152	1,205	1,268	11,068	11,979	13,167	14,752	16,297
Petroleum and natural gas	779	832	906	960	1,002	7,137	7,471	8,317	8,834	9,550
Mining and smelting	271	231	303	358	388	3,488	3,302	3,621	4,032	4,341
Utilities	37	29	30	32	36	445	545	542	512	601
Merchandising	159	174	215	233	246	1,850	1,841	2,116	2,382	2,668
Financial	604	653	643	670	849	3,127	3,439	3,813	4,310	4,902
Other enterprises	78	100	139	122	138	803	919	1,076	1,279	1,479
Totals	2,760	2,996	3,388	3,580	3,927	27,918	29,496	32,652	36,101	39,838

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Asbestos, November 1977 — Advance Information

Producers' shipments of asbestos decreased to 140,856 short tons in November from 149,881 short tons in November 1976. This brought year-to-date shipments to 1,539,893 short tons in 1977 from 1,540,275 in 1976.

For further information, order the November issue of *Asbestos* (26-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Oilseeds, November 1977 — Advance Information

Crushings of oilseeds for November, with oil produced and meal produced (all figures thousands of pounds):

- Soybeans: 155,988 (25,947; 121,497).
- Rapeseed: 115,333 (51,387; 72,256).

For further information, order the November issue of *Oilseeds Review* (22-006, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact J.M. Huard (613-994-9956), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Department Store Sales by Regions, November 1977

Department store sales totalled \$747.8 million in November, up 11.7% from a year earlier. Sales were up in all regions of Canada.

Department store sales by regions for the latest month, with percentage changes from November 1976 in brackets:

- Ontario, \$280.5 million (10.4%).
- Quebec, \$131.9 million (4.8%).
- British Columbia, \$117.3 million (17.3%).
- Alberta, \$103.5 million (23.7%).
- Atlantic Provinces, \$49.6 million (5.5%).
- Manitoba, \$43.5 million (8.3%).
- Saskatchewan, \$21.5 million (10.8%).

For further information, order the November issue of *Department Store Sales by Regions* (63-004, \$1.50 a year).

Foreign Controlled Investment* in Canada, Year-Ends 1971-75
Classification by Area of Control

	1971	1972r	1973r	1974r	1975
	(\$ millions)				
AREA					
NORTH AMERICA AND CARIBBEAN:					
United States	29,426	30,318	33,193	36,844	41,731
Bahamas	116	119	102	156	159
Bermuda	43	42	49	74	111
Mexico	21	29	28	22	24
Netherlands Antilles	8	8	8	56	65
Other	11	13	12	12	20
Sub-total	29,625	30,529	33,392	37,164	42,110
SOUTH AND CENTRAL AMERICA					
Panama	36	46	47	74	95
Venezuela	4	3	3	1	4
Other	3	3	12	12	2
Sub-total	43	52	62	87	101
EUROPE					
United Kingdom	5,866	6,317	7,325	7,248	7,663
European Economic Community (excluding U.K.)**					
Belgium and Luxembourg	554	624	704	711	822
France	1,096	1,274	1,506	1,687	1,899
Italy	126	134	132	138	140
Netherlands	650	742	886	977	1,101
West Germany	491	646	772	655	784
Sub-total	2,917	3,420
Denmark	19	19	24	22	21
Ireland	4	5	11	18	26
Sub-total	4,035	4,208	4,793
Norway	10	26	26	32	32
Sweden	192	210	219	240	259
Switzerland	556	595	593	629	710
Austria	5	3	4	5	5
Other	196	225	221	236	222
Sub-total	9,765	10,820	12,423	12,598	13,684
AFRICA	603	571	544	579	501
ASIA					
Japan	264	267	326	343	351
Hong Kong	21	28	26	33	44
Other	25	24	25	27	31
Sub-total	310	319	377	403	426
AUSTRALASIA					
Australia	15	23	38	52	51
Other	5	8	6	10	8
Sub-total	20	31	44	62	59
Total	40,366	42,322	46,842	50,893	56,881
Developed Countries — total	40,076	42,003	46,524	50,408	56,284
Developing Countries — total	289	317	314	471	577
Centrally Planned Economies — total	1	2	4	14	20

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* Includes investment from countries of control and portfolio investment from other foreign countries and Canada.

** Effective January 1, 1973, Denmark, Ireland and the United Kingdom became members of the European Economic Community.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended January 7, 1978 — Advance Information

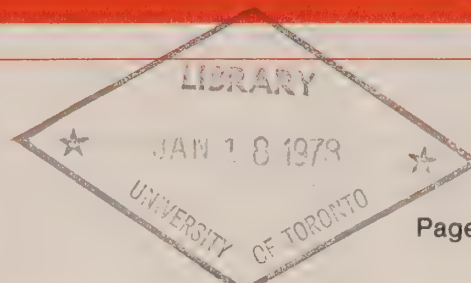
Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended January 7 was 285,592 short tons (259 085 t), an increase of 27.2% from the preceding week's total of 224,494 short tons (203 658 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was 241,253 short tons (218 861 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t)

equalling 100 was 155.9 in the current week, 122.5 a week earlier and 131.7 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, October 1977 (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50)

Household Facilities and Equipment, May 1977 (64-202, 70¢)

Fish Freezings and Stocks, October 1977 (24-001, 40¢/\$4)

Passenger Bus and Urban Transit Statistics, 1975 (53-215, \$1.05)

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, December 1977 (32-012, 30¢/\$3)

Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, November 1977 (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Wholesale Price Indexes

(1935-39=100)

					% Change	
	Nov. 1977*	Oct. 1977*	Nov. 1976	Oct. 1976	Nov./77 Oct./77	Nov./77 Nov./76
General wholesale index	571.0	566.1	515.0	510.4	0.9	10.9
Vegetable products	498.8	490.3	438.7	428.2	1.7	13.7
Animal products	598.0	587.7	536.6	534.7	1.8	11.4
Textile products	470.3	470.9	461.4	459.0	-0.1	1.9
Wood products	818.2	818.8	699.8	696.7	-0.1	16.9
Iron products	612.6	604.4	575.4	570.4	1.4	6.5
Non-ferrous metals including gold	502.2	498.8	453.4	448.2	0.7	10.8
Non-metallic minerals	479.1	478.8	444.0	443.3	0.1	7.9
Chemical products	412.6	413.8	393.0	395.1	-0.3	5.0
Summary indexes						
Iron products and non-ferrous metals excluding gold	664.1	657.6	613.9	608.8	1.0	8.2
Raw and partly manufactured goods	528.4	519.2	471.3	460.4	1.8	12.1
Fully and chiefly manufactured goods	593.4	590.8	538.8	537.7	0.4	10.1

* These indexes are preliminary.

General Wholesale Price Index (1935-39=100), November 1977 — Advance Information

The General Wholesale Index rose 0.9% to 571.0 in November from its revised October level of 566.1. The index was 10.9% higher than in November 1976 when it stood at 515.0. The major groups which had the most effect on the total index in November were vegetable products, animal products and iron products.

The vegetable products index rose 1.7% due mainly to a 9.9% price increase for grains. A rise of 1.8% in the animal products index largely reflected a 6.1% increase for livestock. In the iron products group, which showed a 1.4% rise, there were price increases of 6.2% for castings and forgings and 1.2% for rolling mill products.

Electric Power Statistics, August 1977 — Advance Information

In August net generation increased to 24.4 TW.h from 21.7 TW.h in August 1976. Hydro generation increased 7.9% while thermal production rose 25.6%.

For further information, order the August issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, December 1977 — Advance Information

Preliminary steel ingots production for December 1977 was 1,187,554 short tons (1 077 331 t).

Preliminary pig iron production for the month of December was 858,455 short tons (778 772 t).

For further information, order the December issue of *Steel Ingots and Pig Iron* (41-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V3.

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, January 1, 1978 — Advance Information

Cold storage holdings of frozen poultry products at January 1 amounted to 69.7 million pounds compared with last year's total of 76.4 million pounds.

For further information, order the January issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

The Highway, Road, Street and Bridge Contracting Industry, 1975 — Advance Information

Results of the 1975 census of the highway, road, street and bridge contracting industry show that the 1,027 establishments classified to this construction industry sub-group had total operating revenues of \$2,318,220,402. Materials used had a value of \$535,811,897. Salaries and wages paid to employees amounted to \$593,255,439. Over-all net profits (before taxes) amounted to \$138,140,068.

For further information, contact G. Beauchamp or S. Parent (613-994-9795), Construction Census Section, Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6, or order the 1975 edition of *The Highway Road, Street and Bridge Contracting Industry* (64-206, \$1.05).

The Heavy Engineering Contracting Industry, 1975 — Advance Information

Results of the 1975 census of the heavy engineering contracting industry show that the 1,410 establishments classified to this construction industry sub-group had total operating revenues of \$2,752,893,000. Materials used had a value of \$833,838,000. Salaries and wages paid to employees amounted to \$819,874,000. Over-all net profits (before taxes) amounted to \$162,085,000.

For further information, contact G. Beauchamp or S. Parent (613-994-9795), Construction Census Section, Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

January 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	Jan. 6/78 This week	Dec. 30/77 Week ago	Dec. 9/77 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	100.2	102.0	98.6
Industrials	85	94.6	96.6	91.8
Foods	9	102.1	102.0	98.3
Alcoholic beverages	5	81.9	82.1	80.0
Textiles and clothing	3	123.1	124.1	125.3
Pulp and paper	7	113.5	116.1	109.6
Printing and publishing	5	94.8	96.5	95.5
Primary metals	4	100.9	102.2	99.3
Industrial mines	6	69.1	70.6	64.7
Metal fabricating	9	176.3	180.9	178.6
Non-metallic minerals	4	94.9	94.6	92.0
Petroleum	8	105.9	109.4	101.7
Chemicals	5	102.8	102.9	101.4
Construction	5	284.2	289.6	278.2
Trade	15	80.9	82.8	81.6
Utilities and services	28	105.0	106.0	106.9
Transportation	6	129.2	128.9	130.6
Pipelines	5	91.3	93.0	93.9
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	107.3	108.8	108.3
Telephone	4	108.9	109.5	112.7
Electric power	3	138.0	137.7	140.3
Gas distribution	5	89.1	91.4	88.1
Finances	21	120.7	122.5	120.2
Banks	8	120.7	122.9	120.7
Investment and loan	9	118.3	119.2	116.9
Insurance	4	133.8	134.0	129.5
Mining Index	17	129.7	124.4	119.1
Gold	9	282.5	266.3	259.1
Base metals	8	56.5	56.4	52.0
Uraniums	2	185.0	184.8	167.3
Primary oils and gas index	5	133.5	138.2	134.3

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Household Facilities and Equipment, May 1977 — (64-202, 70¢)

Two-thirds of Canadian households now have colour television sets, the household item that has shown the greatest sales increase in recent years. In May 1977, 67.8% of Canada's 7,022,000 households had at least one colour TV, while in May 1976, 60.6% had this item.

Changes in the fuel used for heating were not as pronounced in the 1977 survey of household facilities and equipment as in previous years. The percentage of households using oil has decreased from 47.6% in 1976 to reach a level of 45.0% in 1977, while the proportion using gas has increased from 37.3% to 38.4%. The percentage of households using electric heat has risen to 13.7% from 13.1% in 1976.

The 1977 survey showed these other significant changes from previous years:

- Households with black-and-white TV sets decreased to 56.3% from 62.4% in 1976.
- Households with cable television increased to 46.8% from 40.4% in 1975.

- 82.3% of all households now have an FM receiver, compared to 76.5% in 1976.

- Home freezers are now found in 47.6% of all households, up from 43.5% in 1976.

The 1977 survey also showed that 65.4% of all households owned their homes, 99,000 of which were condominiums; 70.2% of dwellings had 5 rooms or more; and 58.3% had three or more bedrooms.

For further information, order the 1977 issue of *Household Facilities and Equipment* (64-202, 70¢).

(see table on next page)

Household Facilities and Equipment

May 1977

	1977	1976
	Number of Households (000's)	% of Total Households
		% of Total Households
Total Households	7,022	100
Principal Heating Facilities		
Furnaces	5,520	78.6
Oil	2,840	40.4
Gas	2,592	36.9
Wood, Coal and Other	88	1.3
Other Equipment	1,501	21.4
Oil	322	4.6
Gas	107	1.5
Wood, Coal and Other	107	1.5
Electricity	965	13.7
Cooking Fuel		
Electricity	6,053	86.2
Piped Gas	591	8.4
Bottled Gas	107	1.5
Wood or Coal	122	1.7
Kerosene, Oil and Other	128	1.8
Fuel Used for Piped Hot Water Supply		
Electricity	3,495	49.8
Gas	2,500	35.6
Oil	820	11.7
Coal, Wood and Other	54	0.8
No Hot Water Supply	153	2.2
Refrigerators and Home Freezers		
Electric Refrigerators	6,978	99.4
Home Freezers	3,340	47.6
Washing Machines		
Automatic	4,155	59.2
Other Electric	1,214	17.3
Clothes Dryers	3,993	56.9
Telephones	6,771	96.4
Radios		
All Types, Except Car	6,881	98.0
FM Receivers	5,776	82.3
TV Sets		
All Types	6,822	97.2
Black and White	3,953	56.3
Colour	4,763	67.8
Cable Television	3,288	46.8
Record Players	5,434	77.4
Tape Recorders	2,621	37.3
Automobiles	5,540	78.9
One automobile	3,830	54.5
Two or more	1,710	24.4
Miscellaneous		
Window-type Air Conditioners	769	11.0
Central Unit Air Conditioners	308	4.4
Automatic Dishwashers	1,528	21.8
Adult Size Bicycles	2,852	40.6
Snowmobiles	706	10.1
Motorcycles	568	8.1
Sewing Machines	4,511	64.2
Vacuum Cleaners	6,232	88.8
Portable Humidifiers	1,425	20.3
Pianos	868	12.4
Condominium	99	1.4

* 1975 Figures, data not collected in 1976.

** 1972 Figures, data not collected in 1973-1976.

*** New item in 1977.

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Help-Wanted Index, Canada and Regions, 1971 to 1977

Seasonally Adjusted
(1969=100)

Year	QI	QII	QIII	QIV	Annual Average	QI	QII	QIII	QIV	Annual Average
Canada						Atlantic Provinces				
1971	77	85	85	97	86	88	86	84	89	87
1972	106	111	118	126	115	85	97	101	132	104
1973	131	137	156	171	149	122	125	135	166	137
1974	193	208	210	183	199	217	234	227	268	236
1975	163	166	166	160	164	215	223	237	163	210
1976	171	148	153	156	157	132	138	142	132	136
1977	163	150	147	153	153	171	179	124	137	153
Quebec						Ontario				
1971	79	93	93	105	93	74	82	76	90	80
1972	109	112	117	116	114	105	111	122	128	116
1973	128	125	152	156	140	132	139	158	164	148
1974	182	212	214	206	203	176	183	180	141	170
1975	182	192	220	208	200	123	120	114	106	116
1976	211	183	193	192	195	118	101	103	101	106
1977	194	177	186	199	189	112	106	99	100	104
Prairie Provinces						British Columbia				
1971	79	81	92	100	88	70	74	90	99	83
1972	108	115	122	140	121	104	106	118	122	113
1973	129	142	155	198	156	133	159	176	199	167
1974	217	234	253	218	230	226	234	243	181	221
1975	194	209	187	195	196	155	154	149	151	152
1976	211	196	213	229	212	165	138	142	149	148
1977	211	191	199	192	198	150	144	148	146	147

Help-wanted Index, Fourth Quarter 1977 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily

In the fourth quarter of 1977, the seasonally-adjusted help-wanted index (1969=100) stood at 153, 4% higher than in the previous quarter but down 2% from the same period in 1976.

The annual index for 1977 declined 3% to 153 from 157 in 1976. All regions reported small decreases except the Atlantic Provinces, where the index rose by 13%.

For further information, contact George Fincham (613-992-7461), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

New Motor Vehicle Sales, November 1977 — Advance Information

New motor vehicles sold in November totalled 107,291 units, up 4.6% from a year earlier. This included 64,394 passenger cars (up 1.4%) and 27,060 commercial vehicles (up 5.7%) manufactured in Canada and the U.S., and 14,658 passenger cars (up 18.6%) and 1,179 commercial vehicles (up 7.5%) manufactured overseas.

Total sales value increased 12.4% to \$704.2 million. Canadian and U.S. passenger cars sold for \$405.9

million (up 8.1%) and commercial vehicles for \$217.3 million (up 15.5%). Sales of passenger cars from overseas increased 29.4% to \$74.8 million and those of commercial vehicles increased 18.2% to \$6.1 million. Included in total commercial vehicles sold were 253 units of coaches and buses valued at \$6.9 million.

Seasonally-adjusted November sales of passenger cars manufactured in Canada and the U.S. decreased 10.2% from October to 65,010 units and those of passenger cars from overseas increased 8.3% to 16,140 units. Similarly-adjusted sales of all commercial vehicles were down 5.1% to 31,520 units.

For the first 11 months of 1977, total sales reached 1,265,178 units (1,198,694 in 1976), with an accumulated value of \$8,004.1 million. This represented an increase of 11.6% in value over sales for January-November 1976.

For further information, order the November issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, 30¢/\$3), or contact M. Kwilecki (613-996-9304), Retail Trade Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Railway Carloadings

10-day period ending December 31

	Eastern* Division	Western* Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1977	3,174,639	1,798,936	4,973,575
Short tons, 1976	2,876,315	2,127,208	5,003,523
Metric tonnes, 1977	2 879 984	1 631 967	4 511 951
Metric tonnes, 1976	2 609 349	1 929 771	4 539 120
% change	10.4	-15.4	-0.6
Cars, 1977	41,981	26,829	68,810
Cars, 1976	41,952	32,144	74,096
% change	0.1	-16.5	-7.1
Piggyback traffic**:			
Short tons, 1977	187,133	59,577	246,710
Short tons, 1976	171,940	59,218	231,158
Metric tonnes, 1977	169 764	54 047	223 811
Metric tonnes, 1976	155 981	53 722	209 703
% change	8.8	0.6	6.7
Cars, 1977	5,434	2,472	7,906
Cars, 1976	4,827	2,578	7,405
% change	12.6	-4.1	6.8
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1977	138,053,195	111,885,867	249,939,062
Short tons, 1976	135,876,762	104,256,187	240,132,949
Metric tonnes, 1977	125 239 752	101 501 151	226 740 903
Metric tonnes, 1976	123 265 325	94 579 622	217 844 947
% change	1.6	7.3	4.1
Cars, 1977	2,159,102	1,696,417	3,855,519
Cars, 1976	2,159,920	1,615,619	3,775,539
% change	—	5.0	2.1
Piggyback traffic**:			
Short tons, 1977	8,304,466	2,902,434	11,206,900
Short tons, 1976	7,341,540	2,681,780	10,023,320
Metric tonnes, 1977	7 533 685	2 633 044	10 166 729
Metric tonnes, 1976	6 660 133	2 432 870	9 093 003
% change	13.1	8.2	11.8
Cars, 1977	253,122	125,652	378,774
Cars, 1976	237,425	113,433	350,858
% change	6.6	10.8	8.0

*The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

**Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

Railway Carloadings, 10 Days Ended December 31, 1977 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily
Canadian railways loaded 4.5 million t (5.0 million short tons) of revenue freight in the last 10 days of 1977, a decrease of 0.6% from the corresponding 1976 period. Traffic in the East rose by 10.4%, but West of the Lakehead a decline of 15.4% was recorded. The number of cars loaded at 68,810 trailed the previous year by 7.1%.

Trailer-container (piggyback) traffic (up 8.8% in the East and 0.6% in the West) showed an over-all net gain of 6.7%.

Rail freight loadings in the year 1977 aggregated 226.7 million t (249.9 million short tons), up 4.1% over the 1976 total. Traffic operating east of the Lakehead registered a 1.6% gain, while in the West a 7.3%

increase was reported. Cumulative carloads numbered 3.9 million or 2.1% more than in 1976 and trailer-container (piggyback) tonnage was up by 11.8%.

For further information, contact L.E. Robbins or R.J. Staveley (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Provincial Government Finance Estimates

Provinces	Revenue 1977/78 (\$ millions)	% Change	Expenditure 1977/78 (\$ millions)	% Change
Newfoundland	1,038	11.5	1,126	11.1
Prince Edward Island	237	10.6	256	18.2
Nova Scotia	1,312	9.3	1,393	12.1
New Brunswick	1,136	9.8	1,231	12.4
Quebec	13,127	18.1	12,983	9.5
Ontario	12,950	10.8	14,228	9.1
Manitoba	1,627	5.7	1,795	11.9
Saskatchewan	1,630	2.1	1,707	10.1
Alberta	5,004	8.9	4,288	15.9
British Columbia	4,197	4.7	4,266	6.7
Yukon	83	15.5	83	26.7
Northwest Territories	235	10.0	240	16.7
Total	42,575	11.4	43,597	10.1

Provincial Government Finance, Estimates 1977-78 — Advance Information

The 1977-78 gross general revenue of all provincial and territorial governments is estimated at \$42,574.6 million, up 11.4% from the 1976-77 revised figures. Estimated gross general expenditure is up 10.1% to \$43,597.0 million.

Further information will be contained in *Provincial Government Finance, Revenue and Expenditure (Estimates), 1977* (68-205, \$1.40). For further details, contact G.M. Rheaume (613-995-0718), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Travel, Tourism and Outdoor Recreation — A Statistical Digest, 1975 and 1976 (66-202, \$2.80)

This fourth edition of the publication presents a selection of data on Canadian travel, tourism and recreation compiled from sources in Statistics Canada and elsewhere. New items introduced in this issue include a preliminary Travel Price Index for Canada and a selected bibliography of statistical sources outside Statistics Canada.

There are a total of 10 sections, each accompanied by a brief descriptive and analytical text. Following an introductory section, there are five sections dealing with different aspects of travel followed by one section each on tourism facilities, employment, travel to work and the automobile, and outdoor recreation.

For further information, please contact R.A. Chadwick (613-995-9689), Chief, Travel, Tourism and Recreation Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z5.

Particle Board, November 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian firms produced 58,970,000 square feet (5 478 000 m²) 5/8" (15.9 mm) basis of particle board in November compared to 51,309,000 square feet (4 766 000 m²) in November 1976, an increase of 14.9%.

For further information, order the November issue of *Particle Board* (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Fisheries Statistics, Quebec, 1976 — Advance Information

Advance information from the above-noted publication is now available upon request. For further information, contact R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Fisheries Statistics, Quebec, 1976* (24-206, \$1.05).

Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, November 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of refrigerators totalled 42,106 units in November compared to 38,049 a year earlier, and month-end stocks rose to 81,882 units from 79,242. Domestic sales of home and farm freezers increased to 21,327 units from 19,998 in November 1976 and month-end stocks decreased to 28,075 units from 58,592.

For further information, order the November issue of *Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers* (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Air Passenger Origin and Destination, First Quarter 1977 — Advance Information

First quarter 1977 data on Canada — U.S.A. Air Passenger Origin and Destination are now available.

For further information, please contact Mrs. J.C. Tessier (613-995-9897), Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

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Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes, November 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 11,056,317 phonograph records in November, up from 7,977,057 in November 1976. Production of pre-recorded tapes (8-track cartridges and cassettes only) increased to 2,410,672 from 2,410,268.

For further information, order the November issue of *Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes Service Bulletin* (47-004, \$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. C. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather, November 1977 — Advance Information

In November, packers, dealers and tanners held 229,552 cattle hides, down from 254,501 a year earlier. Cattle hide receipts decreased to 185,693 from 186,276 and wettings decreased to 183,982 from 203,081.

For further information, order the November issue of *Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather* (33-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. C.A. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Industrial Chemicals, November 1977 — Advance Information

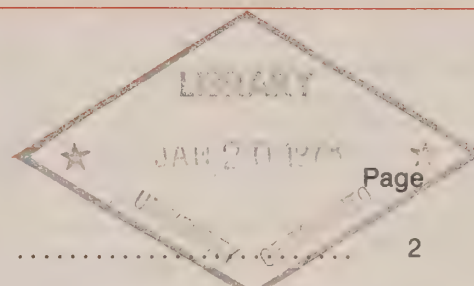
Manufacturers shipped 56,431,867 pounds (25 597 064 kg) of polyethylene-type synthetic resins in November compared to 54,463,372 pounds (24 704 170 kg) a year earlier.

For further information, order the November issue of *Specified Chemicals* (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Exports by Commodities, October 1977 (65-004, 80¢/\$8)

Security Transactions with Non-residents, September 1977 (67-002, 40¢/\$4)

The Sugar Situation, November 1977 (32-013, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletins:

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 4, Pack of Processed Apricots, 1977
(continued)

Aviation Statistics Centre (51-004, \$4.20 per year), Vol. 10. No. 1, Canadian Air Transport Industry, Summary Statistics

Index of Industrial Production

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971	1977				% Change
	percentage weight	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	
Index of Industrial Production	29.497	124.9	124.3	124.8	125.6	0.6
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	116.8	111.5	109.1	111.2	1.9
Metal mines	1.584	115.7	106.7	105.0	102.6	-2.3
Mineral fuels	1.492	114.7	110.8	106.2	118.7	11.8
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)	.363	140.8	140.7	139.8	123.2	-11.9
Manufacturing industries	22.862	123.7	123.9	124.6	124.8	0.2
Food and beverage industries	3.254	114.0	115.1	116.9	116.1	-0.7
Tobacco products industries	.212	122.8	122.2	120.5	122.5	1.7
Rubber and plastics products industries	.650	164.1	160.3	166.3	154.3	-7.2
Leather industries	.206	91.2	88.5	89.2	89.3	0.1
Textile industries	.756	109.3	108.7	110.7	111.8	1.0
Knitting mills	.205	93.7	92.6	92.6	93.4	0.9
Clothing industries	.742	113.4	111.8	110.2	112.1	1.7
Wood industries	.968	140.1	145.2	149.1	147.9	-0.8
Furniture and fixture industries	.420	102.8	101.2	102.5	103.3	0.8
Paper and allied industries	1.878	114.4	112.1	117.1	119.3	1.9
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	114.5	114.2	113.2	113.7	0.4
Primary metal industries	1.976	121.5	119.7	116.2	115.8	-0.3
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.887	130.8	131.7	131.5	131.4	-0.1
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.008	143.4	143.8	142.2	143.3	0.8
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	130.4	134.2	135.7	139.7	2.9
Electrical products industries	1.631	108.3	109.1	107.9	107.2	-0.6
Non-metallic mineral products industries	.905	123.6	126.1	131.1	129.3	-1.4
Petroleum and coal products industries	.394	133.5	126.7	124.2	130.4	5.0
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.363	152.8	151.9	150.7	149.1	-1.1
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	.713	115.4	111.6	111.4	110.3	-1.0
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	145.2	145.3	147.8	151.6	2.6
Special industry groupings:						
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	121.4	120.2	121.6	121.3	-0.2
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	126.2	127.6	127.8	128.3	0.4

Index of Industrial Production, November 1977 — Advance Information

The seasonally-adjusted index of industrial production (1971=100) increased 0.6% in November to 125.6 from 124.8 in October. Mining, utilities and manufacturing all showed increased output during the month.

For further information, order the November issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (including the Index of Industrial Production)*, (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Retail Trade, November 1977 — Advance Information

Seasonally-adjusted retail sales for November were \$5,445.8 million, an increase of 4.1% from the \$5,232.7 million recorded in October. Sales were higher in 23 of the 28 trade groups. Automobile parts and accessories stores (11.4%) and sporting goods and accessories stores (10.5%) showed the greatest increases while general merchandise stores (-6.5%) had the largest decrease. All 10 provinces posted increased sales over

October, ranging from 8.1% for Saskatchewan to 1.5% for Quebec.

Total retail trade without seasonal adjustment reached \$5,664.9 million, an increase of 12.9% over November 1976. Sales were up in 26 of the 28 trade groups with the largest gains registered by family shoe stores (20.6%) and combination stores (19.6%). All provinces reported increased sales over November 1976, ranging from a high of 21.4% for Alberta to 5.4% for Saskatchewan. Montreal sales rose 7.9% over November 1976; Toronto 11.4%; Winnipeg 14.5%; and Vancouver 16.1%.

Revised total retail trade, unadjusted for seasonal influences, for October was \$5,292.4 million, up 5.0% from October 1976.

For further information, order the November issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Preliminary Monthly Report of Petroleum Sales, November 1977

(Thousands of Barrels)

	Motor Gasoline	Aviation Turbo Fuel	Kerosene and Stove Oil	Diesel Fuel	Light Fuel	Heavy Fuel	Other Products	Total Products
Newfoundland	274	123	76	271	255	221	76	1,296
Prince Edward Island	88	2	15	18	73	50	21	267
Nova Scotia	522	51	75	407	423	1,201	143	2,822
New Brunswick	638	29	87	105	482	829	77	2,247
Quebec	4,592	441	426	1,275	2,912	3,941	1,660	15,247
Ontario	6,531	515	229	1,688	2,943	2,664	1,970	16,540
Manitoba	805	89	83	370	137	78	79	1,641
Saskatchewan	1,044	46	163	414	145	5	144	1,961
Alberta	2,155	244	64	1,085	187	7	804	4,546
British Columbia	1,999	234	123	936	659	702	422	5,075
Northwest Territories	8	18	6	29	41	—	3	105
Yukon	28	4	18	24	12	—	2	88
Canada	18,684	1,796	1,365	6,622	8,269	9,698	5,401	51,835
Canada 1976	18,404	1,778	1,606	6,383	11,180	10,189	4,933	54,473
% change 1977/1976	1.5	1.0	-15.0	3.7	-26.0	-4.8	9.5	-4.8

Refined Petroleum Products, November 1977 — Advance Information

Preliminary data for November shows that net sales of all refined petroleum products amounted to 51,835,000 barrels, a decrease of 4.8% from the November 1976 total of 54,473,000 barrels.

Canadian refineries produced 57,711,000 barrels of refined petroleum products in November, an increase of 7.2% from 53,827,000 barrels a year earlier.

For further information, order the November issue of *Refined Petroleum Products* (45-004, 40¢/\$4), or contact G.R. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, October 1977 — Advance Information

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 1,045.0 million feet board measure (2 465 900 m³) of lumber and ties in October compared to a revised 922.9 million feet board measure (2 177 800 m³) a year earlier. January to October production increased to 10,121.6 million feet board measure (23 884 300 m³) in 1977 from a revised 8,852.5 million feet board measure (20 889 600 m³) in 1976.

For further information, order the October issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stoves and Ranges, November 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of electric stoves and ranges in November decreased 13.1% to 36,455 units from 41,972 in November 1976. Closing inventory of these products decreased 15.9% to 69,259 units from 82,415 a year earlier.

For further information, order the November issue of *Stoves and Furnaces* (41-005, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, November 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of automatic washing machines were 31,033 units in November, down from 35,076 in November 1976. Conventional washing machine sales were 5,936 units compared to 6,808. Canadian sales of electric clothes dryers were 30,595 units compared to 33,704. Figures for gas dryer sales on the domestic market are confidential this month.

For further information, order the November issue of *Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers* (43-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

1976 Farm Population, Canada and Provinces

CANADA	1,056,571*
Newfoundland	1,452
Prince Edward Island	12,279
Nova Scotia	12,479
New Brunswick	12,184
Quebec	198,195
Ontario	286,415
Manitoba	101,904
Saskatchewan	193,068
Alberta	190,785
British Columbia	47,791

*Includes data for Yukon and Northwest Territories.

Note:

Farm Population — All persons living in a dwelling situated on a census-farm were considered to be farm population, regardless of their occupation.

Census-farm — This term is defined in the 1976 Census as a farm, ranch or other agricultural holding of one acre or more with sales of agricultural products during the year 1975 of \$1,200 or more. This definition differs from that used in previous Censuses of Agriculture.

Further advance information on 1976 farm population is available on request from Ron Brzezinski (613-994-5308), Census of Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T7.

Television Receiving Sets, November 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of "Made in Canada" television sets totalled 30,820 units (black-and-white and colour combined) in November. A year earlier, sales were 41,655 units.

For further information, order the November issue of *Radio and Television Receiving Sets* (43-004, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Airport Activity, 2nd Quarter 1977 — Advance Information

Monthly airport activity statistics for the top 50 airports in Canada are now available for the months of April, May and June 1977.

Total scheduled enplaned plus deplaned passenger statistics for these three months combined (i.e. 2nd Quarter 1977 data) for airports Toronto, Montreal (Dorval) and Mirabel are shown in the accompanying table.

The airport tables and further information can be obtained by calling Mr. W.J. Benoit (613-995-9897), Airport Activity Survey, Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

Airport Activity,

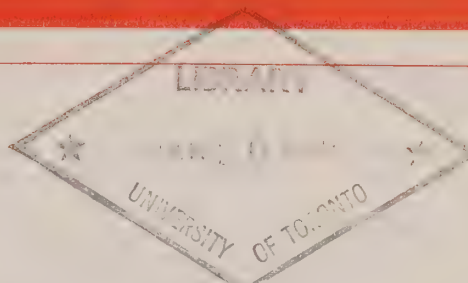
2nd Quarter 1977

	Toronto	Dorval	Mirabel
2nd Quarter 1976	2,347,481	1,283,339	282,814
2nd Quarter 1977	2,695,742	1,417,602	297,147
% change	14.8%*	10.5%*	5.1%*

* The high percentage increase is, in part, due to the nine-day nationwide strike in June, 1976, by Canadian pilots and air traffic controllers.

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Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products (1961=100), November 1977 (62-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Financial Institutions, Financial Statistics, Third Quarter 1977 (61-006, \$1.40/\$5.60)

Service Bulletins:

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 6, Pack of Processed Peas, 1977

Fabricated Metal Products (41-009, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 6, November 1977: No. 59, Domestic and Farm Water Systems; No. 60, Sanitaryware

Quarterly Estimates of Population for Canada and the Provinces, July 1, 1976 — October 1, 1977*

Date	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Yukon	N.W.T.
in thousands													
1976													
July 1	23,025.4	558.5	118.4	829.4	678.2	6,240.0	8,278.1	1,022.1	922.5	1,843.7	2,469.8	22.0	42.7
October 1	23,111.3	560.0	119.1	832.7	681.2	6,255.4	8,306.1	1,024.4	927.5	1,862.3	2,477.6	21.9	43.1
1977													
January 1	23,179.6	560.7	119.8	833.9	683.5	6,265.6	8,329.7	1,027.1	931.4	1,878.0	2,485.2	21.7	43.0
April 1	23,242.9	561.5	120.1	834.5	685.2	6,276.1	8,354.7	1,029.5	934.5	1,890.2	2,492.1	21.4	43.1
July 1	23,315.6	563.2	120.6	835.7	687.1	6,285.1	8,383.9	1,032.1	937.9	1,904.2	2,500.7	21.6	43.5
October 1	23,388.1	564.1	121.3	838.0	689.8	6,283.5	8,417.0	1,032.4	941.2	1,923.0	2,512.1	21.8	43.9

*Figures are preliminary.

Quarterly Estimates of Population, Canada and Provinces, July 1976 to October 1977 — Advance Information

The quarterly estimates contained in the accompanying table will be published shortly in Catalogue 91-001. This bulletin will give details about methodology and data sources, as well as certain comments on the results.

For further information, contact Miss G. Caron (613-994-9317), Population Estimates and Projections Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Consumer Credit, November 1977 — Advance Information

Consumer credit outstanding on the books of selected credit holders reporting monthly reached \$24,128 million at the end of November, 12.0% more than a year earlier.

Outstanding balances of selected credit holders at the end of November 1977, with percentage changes from a year earlier:

- Chartered banks' personal loans: \$18,600 million, up 16.1%.
- Quebec savings banks' personal loans: \$88 million, up 22.2%.
- Life insurance companies' policy loans: \$1,258 million, up 4.3%.
- Sales finance and consumer loan companies' loans: small \$202 million, down 10.2%; large \$1,460 million, down 3.0%; instalment sales paper \$1,099 million, down 3.3%.
- Department stores and furniture, TV, radio and household appliance stores: \$1,420 million, up 2.5%.

Credit holders reporting quarterly had combined outstanding balances of \$6,406 million at the end of the third quarter of 1977, up 16.3% from a year earlier. The largest of these credit holders, credit unions and caisses populaires, reported preliminary balances outstanding of \$4,475 million, up 18.8%. (Also included in the quarterly total: other retail stores; other credit-card issuers; public utilities; and trust and mortgage companies).

Including quarterly reporters, outstanding balances at the end of the third quarter of 1977 totalled \$30,098 million, up 13.3% from September 30, 1976.

For further information, order the November issue of *Consumer Credit* (61-004, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

The Residential and Non-residential General Building Contracting Industry, 1975 — Advance Information

Results of the construction industry census indicate that the 15,753 general contractors in the building industry received total operating revenues of \$7,877,596,411 in 1975. Of this figure, \$7,614,957,475 was derived from construction activity, including \$218,362,767 worth of other than building (civil engineering) construction. The balance of the operating revenue, a volume of \$262,638,936, was received from activities such as construction management, sales of materials and rentals. Sub-contract volume included in construction revenue totalled \$3,527,826,745.

For further information, contact Peter Zylstra (613-994-9795), Census Section, Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Wholesale Trade, November 1977 — Advance Information

Sales by wholesale merchants for November were estimated at \$4,870,644,000, up 11.1% from \$4,382,505,000 in November 1976.

Wholesale inventories were valued at \$7,493,475,000, an increase of 11.0% from stocks of \$6,750,762,000 on hand at the end of November last year.

For further details, order the November issue of *Wholesale Trade* (63-008, 15¢/\$1.50).

Steel Ingots, Week Ended January 14, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended January 14 was 296,348 short tons (268 842 t), an increase of 3.8% from the preceding week's total of 285,592 short tons (259 085 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was 283,202 tons (256 917 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 161.7 in the current week, 155.9 a week earlier and 154.6 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Shipping Statistics, August 1977 (54-002, 30¢/\$3)

Oilseeds Review, September 1977 (22-006, \$1.05/\$4.20)

Asbestos, November 1977 (26-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Oil Burners and Oil-fired Hot Water Heaters, November 1977 (41-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

Distilled Beverage Spirits and Industrial Ethyl Alcohol, November 1977 (32-021, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Hardboard, November 1977 (36-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Iron Ore, November 1977 (26-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

Cement, November 1977 (44-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers, November 1977 (46-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Urban Transit, November 1977 (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, January 1 to November 30, 1977 (63-009, 15¢/\$1.50)

Restaurant Statistics, November 1977 (63-011, 15¢/\$1.50)

Production of Eggs and Poultry, November 1977 (23-003, 30¢/\$3)

Service Bulletin:

Electrical Products (43-007, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 29, Domestic Water Tank Heaters, November 1977

The Consumer Price Index, December 1977 (62-001, 30¢/\$3)

The all-items Consumer Price Index for Canada (1971=100) advanced 0.7% to 167.2 in December from 166.1 in November, further extending the trend of relatively substantial price increases observed during 1977. Higher food prices, up 1.6% in the latest month, were once again a large factor in the over-all CPI rise, having been responsible for two-thirds of the increase. The advance in the index for all items excluding food, however, was a moderate 0.3%. Between December 1976 and December 1977, the total CPI advanced 9.5%. (On the basis of annual average index levels, the increase between 1976 and 1977 stood at 8.0%).

Higher prices for many fresh vegetables and for beef cuts (up 10.6% and 5.2%, respectively) were largely responsible for the 1.6% increase in the food index. Higher prices for fresh milk in Ontario, for certain other meats and for restaurant meals also had an impact of this latest rise. Lower prices for coffee and for some fresh fruit only marginally offset these increases. The 1.8% increase in the food-at-home index for December brought the index to a level 17.7% above that of December 1976, the highest 12-month rise since May 1974. The December 1976 to December 1977 price movements for various food categories showed the following increases: dairy products (7.2%); cereal and bakery products (9.6%); fats and oils products (17.6%); beef products (31.4%); pork products (14.3%); poultry (12.9%); fish (14.5%); fresh fruit (42.6%); fresh vegetables (44.7%); processed fruit (13.0%); processed vegetables (6.3%); frozen foods (22.0%); and coffee (73.9%). Egg prices decreased 3.4%.

Higher charges for shelter and for many household operation items along with price increases for cigarettes were largely responsible for the 0.3% rise in the index for all items excluding food. Other notable factors included higher charges for dry cleaning, parking and train fares. (This latest rise in the index for all items excluding food resulted in a 7.4% increase between December 1976 and December 1977).

Viewed in terms of goods and services, the price level of goods, including food, increased 1.0% in the latest month while that for services rose 0.3%. Between

December 1976 and December 1977, the price level of goods increased 10.7% while that for services was up 7.5%.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, the all-items CPI advanced 0.8% from November to December; this included a 1.9% rise in the food index and a 0.4% increase in the index for all items excluding food.

In December, the current annual rate of change in the CPI*, based on the seasonally-adjusted movement in the latest three-month period, was 11.2%.

**See Table 2 and technical notes of this release.*

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Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended January 7, 1978 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily

Twenty-three common carrier railways operating in Canada loaded 2.8 million t (3.1 million short tons) of revenue freight in the first week of 1978, a decrease of 5.8% from the same period in 1977. Traffic was down in the East by 7.1% and in the West a decline of 3.9% was recorded. The number of railway cars loaded in Canada was down 6.2% to 47,510.

Trailer-container (piggyback) traffic registered a 2.7% gain over the year-earlier period.

For further information, contact L.E. Robbins or R.J. Staveley (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Footwear Statistics, November 1977 — Advance Information

Production of footwear of all types decreased to 3,444,647 pairs in November from 3,886,675 pairs in November 1976.

For further information, order the November issue of *Footwear Statistics* (33-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. C. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Consumer Price Index for Canada and Main Components

(1971=100)

(Not seasonally adjusted)

	Relative importance(1)	Indexes			% Change		% Contribution to total change	
		1977		1976	December 1977 from			
		Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Nov. 1977	Dec. 1976	Nov. 1977	Dec. 1976
All items	100	167.2	166.1	152.7	0.7	9.5	100	100
Food	27	191.5	188.4	166.0	1.6	15.4	65	43
All items excluding food	73	158.8	158.3	147.9	0.3	7.4	35	57
Housing	33	167.8	167.3	154.5	0.3	8.6	15	30
Clothing	9	145.5	144.9	135.4	0.4	7.5	6	7
Transportation	15	156.7	156.4	148.3	0.2	5.7	3	9
Health and personal care	4	160.0	159.7	148.5	0.2	7.7	1	4
Recreation, education and reading	6	145.4	145.6	138.7	-0.1	4.8	-1	3
Tobacco and alcohol	6	148.6	146.7	138.1	1.3	7.6	11	4
Purchasing power of the 1971 consumer dollar	—	0.60	0.60	0.65				
All-items Consumer Price Index converted to 1961=100		223.1						

(1) These rounded weights, provided as a general guide, show the relative importance of the major components of the CPI, on average, during the year 1976.

(see table on next page)

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending January 7, 1978

	Eastern* Division	Western* Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	1,778,128	1,307,856	3,085,984
Short tons, 1977	1,913,570	1,361,287	3,274,857
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 613 091	1 186 467	2 799 558
Metric tonnes, 1977	1 735 962	1 234 939	2 970 901
% change	-7.1	-3.9	-5.8
Cars, 1978	27,503	20,007	47,510
Cars, 1977	29,695	20,934	50,629
% change	-7.4	-4.4	-6.2
Piggyback traffic**:			
Short tons, 1978	111,931	37,845	149,776
Short tons, 1977	110,385	35,514	145,899
Metric tonnes, 1978	101 542	34 332	135 874
Metric tonnes, 1977	100 140	32 218	132 358
% change	1.4	6.6	2.7
Cars, 1978	3,310	1,562	4,872
Cars, 1977	3,324	1,558	4,882
% change	-0.4	0.3	-0.2

*The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

**Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

The Construction Industry, 1976 — Advance Information

Preliminary information for 1976 on the general contractor segment of the construction industry is now available in four bulletins. These cover residential building contractors, non-residential building contractors, highway contractors and heavy engineering contractors. For these four groups, gross business income in 1976 was \$2.5 billion, \$2.5 billion, \$1.5 billion and \$1.6 billion, respectively, based on initial

samples of 666,736,36 and 442 establishments. The preliminary information bulletins provide financial and operational data in ratio form.

For further information, contact Peter Zylstra (613-994-9795), Census Section, Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Month-to-Month Percentage Changes in the Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted Consumer Price Index for Canada*

	All items		Food		All items excluding food	
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**
1973						
May	0.7	0.6	0.8	0.4	0.7	0.7
June	0.9	0.8	1.9	1.5	0.6	0.5
July	0.9	0.5	1.9	1.0	0.5	0.5
August	1.3	1.2	3.2	2.7	0.5	0.6
September	0.6	0.9	0.9	1.6	0.5	0.6
October	0.3	0.5	-0.3	0.5	0.6	0.5
November	0.8	0.8	1.2	1.7	0.5	0.6
December	0.5	0.8	0.2	0.5	0.6	0.8
1974						
January	0.8	0.7	1.1	0.9	0.7	0.4
February	1.0	1.0	2.3	2.0	0.5	0.7
March	1.0	1.0	1.5	1.7	0.8	0.8
April	0.7	0.8	0.1	0.4	1.0	0.9
May	1.6	1.6	2.9	2.6	1.2	1.3
June	1.3	1.0	1.3	0.6	1.3	1.2
July	0.7	0.6	0.9	0.1	0.7	0.6
August	1.0	0.8	1.4	1.0	0.8	0.8
September	0.6	0.9	0.4	0.9	0.6	0.7
October	0.9	1.1	1.4	2.2	0.7	0.7
November	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.5	1.1	1.1
December	1.0	1.1	1.4	1.6	0.8	0.8
1975						
January	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.6
February	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.7
March	0.5	0.4	-0.4	-0.1	0.9	0.8
April	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.8	0.6	0.6
May	0.8	0.7	1.1	0.8	0.7	0.8
June	1.5	1.2	3.2	2.8	0.8	0.7
July	1.4	1.1	2.3	1.3	1.0	1.0
August	1.0	0.8	1.0	0.4	0.9	0.8
September	0.2	0.5	-0.7	-0.2	0.7	0.8
October	0.9	1.1	0.4	1.0	1.1	1.1
November	0.9	0.9	0.6	1.0	1.0	0.9
December	0.1	0.3	-0.7	-0.4	0.5	0.7
1976						
January	0.6	0.6	-0.2	0.1	0.8	0.9
February	0.3	0.3	-0.3	-0.5	0.7	0.6
March	0.4	0.4	-0.7	-0.5	0.8	0.7
April	0.4	0.5	-0.4	0.1	0.7	0.7
May	0.8	0.8	1.5	1.2	0.6	0.7
June	0.5	0.2	0.2	-0.5	0.5	0.4
July	0.4	0.2	0.3	-0.5	0.6	0.5
August	0.5	0.2	-0.5	-1.0	0.8	0.7
September	0.5	0.7	-0.7	-0.3	1.0	1.0
October	0.7	0.8	0.0	0.7	0.8	0.9
November	0.3	0.4	-0.2	0.2	0.5	0.5
December	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.3
1977						
January	0.9	0.9	1.2	1.4	0.7	0.7
February	0.9	0.8	2.0	1.7	0.5	0.6
March	1.0	1.1	0.9	1.2	1.0	1.1
April	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.3	0.5	0.5
May	0.8	0.6	1.4	1.1	0.5	0.5
June	0.7	0.4	1.1	0.5	0.6	0.4
July	0.9	0.6	2.1	1.1	0.4	0.4
August	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.2	0.5	0.6
September	0.6	0.7	0.2	0.8	0.7	0.8
October	1.0	1.1	1.4	1.9	0.8	0.8
November	0.7	0.7	0.8	1.3	0.6	0.5
December	0.7	0.8	1.6	1.9	0.3	0.4

* For some elaboration of methodology, see Appendix I(A) of *Consumer Prices and Price Indexes* (Catalogue 62-010).

** Seasonally adjusted data are revised annually using updated seasonal adjustment factors. For more information, refer to Appendix II, *Consumer Prices and Price Indexes* (Catalogue 62-010).

Weekly Security Price Indexes

January 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	Jan. 13/78 This week	Jan. 6/78 Week ago	Dec. 16/77 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	97.4	100.2	100.0
Industrials	85	91.6	94.6	93.6
Foods	9	100.1	102.1	99.1
Alcoholic beverages	5	79.4	81.9	80.8
Textiles and clothing	3	121.9	123.1	121.9
Pulp and paper	7	111.2	113.5	110.6
Printing and publishing	5	92.9	94.8	93.9
Primary metals	4	98.1	100.9	100.9
Industrial mines	6	66.3	69.1	67.6
Metal fabricating	9	172.4	176.3	182.7
Non-metallic minerals	4	96.9	94.9	93.2
Petroleum	8	101.9	105.9	104.2
Chemicals	5	100.8	102.8	101.2
Construction	5	271.3	284.2	279.7
Trade	15	78.0	80.9	82.1
Utilities and services	28	103.1	105.0	107.2
Transportation	6	126.3	129.2	134.0
Pipelines	5	90.2	91.3	93.6
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	107.7	107.3	108.5
Telephone	4	108.1	108.9	110.8
Electric power	3	136.6	138.0	140.2
Gas distribution	5	85.0	89.1	89.8
Finances	21	117.8	120.7	120.6
Banks	8	118.0	120.7	121.0
Investment and loan	9	115.1	118.3	117.0
Insurance	4	130.3	133.8	132.4
Mining Index	17	129.2	129.7	120.4
Gold	9	284.7	282.5	259.1
Base metals	8	54.6	56.5	53.9
Uranium	2	181.4	185.0	170.2
Primary oils and gas index	5	128.5	133.5	136.2

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Mineral Production, November 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian mineral production for November and 1977 to date, with corresponding 1976 figures in brackets:

- Gold, 148,114 troy ounces (143,359) — 1,557,588 troy ounces (1,538,418).
- Silver, 3,957,918 troy ounces (3,165,657) — 41,186,901 troy ounces (38,337,893).
- Primary copper, 72,199 short tons (63,395) — 802,648 short tons (738,318).
- Primary nickel, 20,522 short tons (21,696) — 236,241 short tons (242,045).
- Refined lead 19,450 short tons (17,645) — 189,199 short tons (175,292).
- Refined zinc, 39,736 short tons (46,799) — 507,817 short tons (467,903).

For further information, order the November issue of: *Gold Production* (26-004, 15¢/\$1.50); *Silver, Lead and Zinc Production* (26-008, 15¢/\$1.50); and *Copper and Nickel Production* (26-003, 15¢/\$1.50); or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber, November 1977 — Advance Information

Production of rubber in Canada increased in November to 46,844,000 pounds (21 248 000 kg) from 44,182,000 pounds (20 040 000 kg) in November 1976.

Consumption of rubber decreased to 64,001,000 pounds (29 029 000 kg) from 64,714,000 pounds (29 353 000 kg).

For further information, order the November issue of *Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber* (33-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. C. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Telephone Statistics, November 1977 — Advance Information

Canada's 13 major telephone systems reported monthly revenues of \$337.4 million in November, up 17.0% from November 1976. Operating expenses were \$230.1 million, an increase of 14.3%. Net operating revenue at \$107.3 million showed an increase of 23.2% over November 1976.

Telephone toll messages increased 7.7% in the latest month to 84.8 million (despite a work stoppage November 24, 1977 at the British Columbia Telephone System that is still continuing at this date).

For further information, order the November issue of *Telephone Statistics* (56-002, \$1.50 a year), or contact Patrick Crosby (613-996-9274), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, September 1977 (26-006, 30¢/\$3)

Fisheries Statistics, Quebec, 1976 (24-206, \$1.05)

Mineral Wool, November 1977 (44-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Farm Wages in Canada, November 1977 (21-002, 35¢/\$1.40)

Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, December 1977 (41-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, November 1977 (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Concrete Products, November 1977 (44-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletin:

Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes (47-004, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 11, Production and Sales of Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes in Canada, November 1977



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Steel Pipe and Tube Mills, 1976 — Advance Information

Steel pipe and tube mills shipped \$498.3 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, down 13.0% from 1975. Total value added by the industry decreased 12.6% to \$148.8 million, the number of employees decreased 4.1% to 5,546 and total salaries and wages increased 2.9% to \$81.7 million.

For further information, contact J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Steel Pipe and Tube Mills, 1976* (41-220, 70¢).

Dairy Factory Production, December 1977 — Advance Information

Production of creamery butter increased 30.3% in December to 13.3 million pounds from 10.2 million pounds a year earlier. Cheddar cheese production increased 0.7% to 13.2 million pounds from 13.1 million pounds and production of ice cream mix rose 12.0% to 2.2 million gallons from 1.9 million gallons.

For further information, order the December issue of *Dairy Factory Production* (32-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

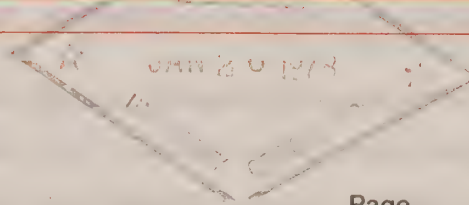
Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, January 1, 1978 — Advance Information

Cold storage holdings of creamery butter were up to 61.5 million pounds on January 1 compared with last year's corresponding total of 54.9 million, and stocks of cheddar cheese increased to 61.8 million pounds from 55.1 million. Stocks of skim milk powder decreased 61.3% to 123.9 million pounds and stocks of evaporated whole milk decreased 6.0% to 25.9 million pounds.

For further information, order the January issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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1976 Census of Population and Housing User Summary Tape and Microfiche Program

Selected tabulations from the 1976 Census recorded on microfiche and magnetic tape are now available and additional tables will be issued as produced. Microfiche are supplied as negative copies on vesicular film with a reduction ratio of 48. Tabulations will be available for Enumeration Areas, Census Tracts and Census Subdivisions. Data for Provincial Census Tracts, Census Metropolitan Areas and Census Divisions will be included in the appropriate tables.

All such non-published data may be obtained from Census Information Services (613-996-5254) Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T7. CANSIM users can obtain an up-to-date listing of tables available on microfiche or summary tape by utilizing the command CEN.

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Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, December 1977 (62-009, 30¢/\$3)

Field Crop Reporting Series, No. 1, Summerfallow and Stubble, Acreage and Yield of Specified Crops, Prairie Provinces — Available January 20, 1978 at 3. p.m. (22-002, \$5.60 for series of 20)

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Merchandising Businesses Survey, Wholesale Merchants, 1975 (63-601, \$1.05)

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Rigid Insulating Board, November 1977 (36-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, December 1977

The consumer price index for each regional city measures price change from one time-period to another within that specific city. Thus, while city CPI's show the movement of prices in each city, they do not indicate price-level differences between cities. Some such inter-city price comparisons are published separately: for references see footnote to ensuing tables.

From November to December, consumer price indexes rose in all regional cities with increases ranging from 0.2% in Quebec City to 1.0% in Montreal. Higher prices for beef and fresh vegetables along with increased shelter and household operation charges were mainly responsible for these advances. Other important contributing factors were higher prices for cigarettes, dry cleaning and for parking.

St. John's

All items: November to December 1977, up 0.8%; December 1976 to December 1977, up 8.1%.

Main contributors: increased prices for beef and fresh vegetables, offset to some extent by lower prices for poultry and fresh fruit. Higher electricity rates and increased cigarette prices.

Halifax

All items: November to December 1977, up 0.6%; December 1976 to December 1977, up 9.2%.

Main contributors: increased prices for fresh produce, beef and sugar while pork prices declined. Higher prices for cigarettes.

Saint John

All items: November to December 1977, up 0.5%; December 1976 to December 1977, up 8.5%.

Main contributors: higher prices for fresh vegetables, beef and sugar while fresh fruit, pork and coffee prices declined. Higher cigarette prices and increased parking rates.

Quebec City

All items: November to December 1977, up 0.2%; December 1976 to December 1977, up 9.1%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, poultry and fresh produce while soft drink and bread prices declined. Increased prices for cigarettes and laundry services; lower prices registered for fuel oil and for gasoline.

Montreal

All items: November to December 1977, up 1.0%; December 1976 to December 1977, up 9.6%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef and fresh vegetables; increased prices for cigarettes.

Ottawa

All items: November to December 1977, up 0.7%; December 1976 to December 1977, up 9.3%.

Main contributors: increased prices for fresh vegetables, pork, soft drinks and dairy products; higher clothing prices. Some automobile insurance premiums were up. Higher cigarette prices.

Toronto

All items: November to December 1977, up 0.6%; December 1976 to December 1977, up 9.5%.

Main contributors: higher prices for meat, fresh milk, fresh vegetables and restaurant meals. Higher automobile insurance rates and increased prices for cigarettes and dry cleaning.

Thunder Bay

All items: November to December 1977, up 0.5%; December 1976 to December 1977, up 10.0%.

Main contributors: higher prices for fresh vegetables and pork. Increased automobile insurance rates and higher prices for dry cleaning services and cigarettes.

Winnipeg

All items: November to December 1977, up 0.3%; December 1976 to December 1977, up 9.1%.

Main contributors: increased shelter and household operation charges; higher clothing and cigarette prices. Prices up also for fresh vegetables, beef, chicken and restaurant meals while those for soft drinks, fresh fruit and pork declined.

Saskatoon

All items: November to December 1977, up 0.3%; December 1976 to December 1977, up 9.8%.

Main contributors: increased shelter and household operation charges; higher prices for gasoline and cigarettes. Prices also up for fresh vegetables, beef and chicken while those for bread, soft drinks and pork declined.

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Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.**

	All items	Food	Hous- ing	Cloth- ing	Trans- porta- tion (1971=100)	Health and personal care	Recre- ation education and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
St. John's								
December 1977 index	171.3	202.4	169.4	139.9	161.8	167.2	140.3	150.8
November 1977 index	170.0	199.5	168.3	139.1	161.8	167.0	140.3	148.8
% change from November 1977	0.8	1.5	0.7	0.6	0.0	0.1	0.0	1.3
% change from December 1976	8.1	11.6	8.6	7.0	5.7	5.2	1.0	7.0
Halifax								
December 1977 index	161.9	187.9	159.4	135.6	160.0	152.2	139.2	142.9
November 1977 index	161.0	186.0	158.7	135.2	159.7	151.4	139.1	140.6
% change from November 1977	0.6	1.0	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.1	1.6
% change from December 1976	9.2	12.6	10.8	5.4	4.9	8.9	4.3	5.8
Saint John								
December 1977 index	164.9	193.6	162.1	134.7	159.7	164.1	152.6	136.7
November 1977 index	164.1	191.7	161.8	134.6	158.8	163.4	152.5	133.7
% change from November 1977	0.5	1.0	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.4	0.1	2.2
% change from December 1976	8.5	11.3	9.7	4.5	7.6	7.0	3.2	4.4
Quebec City								
December 1977 index	162.1	191.3	154.6	140.2	159.2	155.4	143.8	149.8
November 1977 index	161.7	190.5	154.5	139.9	159.4	155.3	144.0	147.3
% change from November 1977	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.2	-0.1	0.1	-0.1	1.7
% change from December 1976	9.1	12.9	8.2	7.6	6.6	10.4	4.0	7.3
Montreal								
December 1977 index	164.2	194.0	151.5	151.9	158.9	158.8	148.8	151.3
November 1977 index	162.6	189.0	151.1	151.4	159.3	157.8	149.0	148.9
% change from November 1977	1.0	2.6	0.3	0.3	-0.3	0.6	-0.1	1.6
% change from December 1976	9.6	13.8	8.7	10.0	5.3	9.7	4.9	7.2
Ottawa								
December 1977 index	163.9	184.0	160.8	155.6	154.8	158.2	142.3	153.2
November 1977 index	162.8	182.1	160.0	153.5	153.8	157.8	142.2	152.0
% change from November 1977	0.7	1.0	0.5	1.4	0.7	0.3	0.1	0.8
% change from December 1976	9.3	14.0	8.2	8.7	6.5	7.8	5.3	9.4
Toronto								
December 1977 index	163.5	189.1	158.2	143.2	154.8	165.6	146.3	149.8
November 1977 index	162.5	186.7	157.6	142.1	154.1	165.6	146.5	148.7
% change from November 1977	0.6	1.3	0.4	0.8	0.5	0.0	-0.1	0.7
% change from December 1976	9.5	15.7	8.7	7.4	5.3	6.6	5.4	8.3
Thunder Bay								
December 1977 index	166.4	190.7	164.3	137.0	167.2	166.0	145.7	147.9
November 1977 index	165.5	189.1	163.8	136.2	166.5	165.6	145.5	147.2
% change from November 1977	0.5	0.8	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.5
% change from December 1976	10.0	14.9	8.9	6.9	7.9	10.2	6.0	8.5
Winnipeg								
December 1977 index	167.5	191.8	171.1	144.1	156.5	162.4	143.8	146.9
November 1977 index	167.0	191.4	170.5	143.1	156.6	162.1	143.8	145.4
% change from November 1977	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.7	-0.1	0.2	0.0	1.0
% change from December 1976	9.1	14.2	8.6	7.4	8.0	5.3	4.8	5.5
Saskatoon**								
December 1977 index	163.7	186.0	161.4	146.7	153.9	151.3	159.3	150.1
November 1977 index	163.2	185.4	160.9	147.1	152.9	151.5	159.3	148.4
% change from November 1977	0.3	0.3	0.3	-0.3	0.7	-0.1	0.0	1.1
% change from December 1976	9.8	12.9	9.3	6.3	10.8	6.2	6.1	11.7
Regina**								
December 1977 index	166.6	183.9	167.7	144.9	157.8	159.2	162.7	150.4
November 1977 index	166.1	182.6	167.2	144.0	158.6	159.2	162.7	149.0
% change from November 1977	0.3	0.7	0.3	0.6	-0.5	0.0	0.0	0.9
% change from December 1976	10.8	14.9	10.1	7.1	12.2	6.5	5.9	9.8
Edmonton**								
December 1977 index	166.9	190.4	172.4	144.8	158.6	152.5	146.5	140.4
November 1977 index	165.9	187.0	171.9	144.5	159.2	151.9	146.7	138.1
% change from November 1977	0.6	1.8	0.3	0.2	-0.4	0.4	-0.1	1.7
% change from December 1976	10.4	18.4	10.2	6.3	5.5	8.9	5.4	8.1

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada (continued)

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.**

	All items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Transportation (1971-100)	Health and personal care	Recreation education and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
Calgary**								
December 1977 index	163.8	181.8	165.3	148.2	158.0	156.3	147.7	142.0
November 1977 index	163.0	180.3	164.6	148.1	157.8	156.3	147.8	140.0
% change from November 1977	0.5	0.8	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	1.4
% change from December 1976	9.3	14.7	9.0	6.0	6.9	8.1	4.6	7.7
Vancouver								
December 1977 index	167.2	191.9	164.7	146.4	160.5	161.0	141.3	147.4
November 1977 index	166.1	189.0	164.2	145.0	160.2	160.9	141.5	144.7
% change from November 1977	0.7	1.5	0.3	1.0	0.2	0.1	-0.1	1.9
% change from December 1976	7.7	11.2	8.6	6.1	2.9	6.9	5.9	7.2

* For inter-city indexes of retail price differentials refer to Table 14 of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 50¢/\$5.50).

** The indexes for the cities of Saskatoon, Regina, Edmonton and Calgary supersede, as of January 1975, the combined cities series of Saskatoon-Regina and Edmonton-Calgary. For further details see *Retail Prices and Living Costs Service Bulletin* (Statistics Canada Catalogue No. 62-005, Vol. 3, No. 5).

Regina

All items: November to December 1977, up 0.3%; December 1976 to December 1977, up 10.8%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, bread and fresh vegetables while those for soft drinks, chicken and pork declined. Prices up for cigarettes and dry cleaning services. Gasoline prices declined.

Edmonton

All items: November to December 1977, up 0.6%; December 1976 to December 1977, up 10.4%.

Main contributors: increased prices for fresh vegetables, bread and beef while fresh fruit prices declined. Prices up for cigarettes and for dry cleaning while those for gasoline declined.

Calgary

All items: November to December 1977, up 0.5%; December 1976 to December 1977, up 9.3%.

Main contributors: higher prices for fresh produce, butter and restaurant meals; increased prices for household operation items. Prices also up for cigarettes and dry cleaning services.

Vancouver

All items: November to December 1977, up 0.7%; December 1976 to December 1977, up 7.7%.

Main contributors: higher prices for fresh vegetables and beef; increased household operation charges. Prices also up for cigarettes and selected clothing items.

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, January 1, 1978 — Advance Information

Total frozen meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of January amounted to 95.8 million pounds compared with 93.5 million last month and 125.8 million a year earlier.

For further information, order the January issue of *Stocks of Frozen Meat Products* (32-012, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Decorative Laminate Sheet, October-December 1977

Domestic shipments of 1/8-inch high pressure laminate sheet totalled 16.9 million square feet (1.5 mm²) with a value of \$7.1 million in the fourth quarter of 1977. In the corresponding quarter of 1976, totals were 16.3 million square feet (1.5 mm²) and \$6.1 million.

For further information, order the December issue of *Rubber and Plastic Products Industries Service Bulletin* (47-002, \$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. C. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Tobacco Products (Cigarettes and Cigars), December 1977 — Advance Information

Production of cigarettes for December amounted to 4.7 billion compared to 4.9 billion for December 1976. Production of cigars was 36.5 million compared to 44.7 million for December 1976.

For further information, order the December issue of *Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products* (32-022, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Thread Mills, 1976 — Advance Information

Thread mills shipped \$33.7 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 19.1% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 21.0% to \$18.7 million, the number of employees decreased 5.4% to 960 and total salaries and wages increased 5% to \$9.5 million.

For further information, contact G. Elliot (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Textile Industries*, 1976 (34-210, \$1.05).

Total Private Households, Persons in Private Households and Average Number of Persons Per Household for Canada and Provinces, 1971 and 1976

	Total Households*	Total Persons in Households	Average Number of Persons Per Household
Canada			
1976	7,166,095	22,412,000	3.1
1971	6,034,510	21,011,820	3.5
Newfoundland			
1976	131,665	545,810	4.1
1971	110,445	509,180	4.6
Prince Edward Island			
1976	32,930	114,945	3.5
1971	27,880	108,470	3.9
Nova Scotia			
1976	243,095	805,170	3.3
1971	207,510	765,895	3.7
New Brunswick			
1976	190,435	661,975	3.5
1971	157,635	617,025	3.9
Quebec			
1976	1,894,110	6,082,610	3.2
1971	1,604,785	5,871,655	3.7
Ontario			
1976	2,634,620	8,084,225	3.1
1971	2,225,490	7,538,665	3.4
Manitoba			
1976	328,005	988,000	3.0
1971	288,370	958,560	3.3
Saskatchewan			
1976	291,155	894,345	3.1
1971	267,565	896,740	3.4
Alberta			
1976	575,280	1,780,595	3.1
1971	464,615	1,579,945	3.4
British Columbia			
1976	828,285	2,392,790	2.9
1971	667,545	2,114,745	3.2
Yukon			
1976	6,495	20,645	3.2
1971	5,095	17,450	3.4
Northwest Territories			
1976	10,020	40,885	4.1
1971	7,575	33,495	4.4

* Excluded are households outside Canada and collective-type households.

Total Private Households, Persons in Private Households and Average Number of Persons per Household, Canada and Provinces, 1971 and 1976*

Comparison of the statistics for Canada reveals an increase of 1.1 million private households and 1.4 million persons in households between 1971 and 1976. However, the average number of persons per household dropped from 3.5 persons to 3.1 persons.

The same pattern of increases in private households and persons in households, and a slight decrease in the average number of persons per household can be observed in all provinces except Saskatchewan, where the number of persons in households dropped by 2,395 while the number of private households increased by 23,590 between 1971 and 1976.

* Data in this release have been rounded and have been tabulated from the 100% count. Future releases will also provide estimates of reliability as well as statements concerning possible sources of error due to coverage, response or processing.

Further information along with more geographic detail will be published early this year in catalogue 93-805, bulletin 3.6. In the meantime, further information

on private household counts by size for census divisions (counties, regional districts, regional municipalities, etc.) can be obtained by contacting the Census Information Services (613-996-5254), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T7.

Pen and Pencil Manufacturers, 1976 — Advance Information

The pen and pencil manufacturing industry shipped \$36.7 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 10.7% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 21.3% to \$26.4 million, the number of employees increased 5.8% to 964 and total salaries and wages increased 20.2% to \$10.3 million.

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries, 1976* (47-205, \$1.05).

Private Households by Type, for Canada and Provinces, 1976

	Family Households			
	Total Households*	Total	One Family Households	Multiple Family Households
Canada	7,166,095	5,633,945	5,542,295	91,650
Newfoundland	131,665	118,655	112,865	5,790
Prince Edward Island	32,930	26,925	26,300	620
Nova Scotia	243,100	195,955	191,505	4,450
New Brunswick	190,435	158,200	154,450	3,750
Quebec	1,894,110	1,521,235	1,502,320	18,915
Ontario	2,634,620	2,065,615	2,027,645	37,970
Manitoba	328,005	248,860	245,840	3,015
Saskatchewan	291,155	223,375	221,145	2,235
Alberta	575,280	443,735	438,850	4,885
British Columbia	828,285	618,510	608,945	9,565
Yukon	6,495	4,855	4,780	75
Northwest Territories	10,020	8,020	7,645	375
Non-Family Households				
	Total	One Person Only	Two or More Persons	Average Number of Persons Per Household
Canada	1,532,150	1,205,340	326,810	3.1
Newfoundland	13,010	8,975	4,030	4.1
Prince Edward Island	6,005	4,375	1,630	3.5
Nova Scotia	47,140	34,795	12,345	3.3
New Brunswick	32,235	23,920	8,310	3.5
Quebec	372,875	294,315	78,560	3.2
Ontario	569,005	448,940	120,065	3.1
Manitoba	79,145	63,485	15,660	3.0
Saskatchewan	67,775	55,130	12,645	3.1
Alberta	131,545	99,640	31,905	3.1
British Columbia	209,775	169,125	40,650	2.9
Yukon	1,640	1,160	485	3.2
Northwest Territories	1,995	1,475	520	4.1

* Excluded are households outside Canada and collective-type households

Private Households by Type, Canada and Provinces, 1976*

In 1976 the number of private households in Canada totalled 7.1 million, of which 5.6 million (78.6%) were family households and 1.5 million (21.4%) were non-family households. Within the category of family households, the overwhelming majority were one-family households, and less than 2% were multiple-family households. Among non-family households, about 80% were one-person households and only some 20% were households with two or more persons.

Variations in the proportion of family and non-family households can be observed among the provinces. The percentage of non-family households ranged from 9.9% in Newfoundland to 25.3% in British Columbia and the Yukon. The accompanying table also indicates that Newfoundland and the Northwest Territories had the highest average number of persons per household (4.1 persons) and British Columbia the lowest (2.9 persons).

* Data in this release have been tabulated from the 100% count and have been rounded. Future releases will also provide estimates of reliability as well as statements concerning possible sources of error due to coverage, response or processing.

Further information along with more geographic detail will be published early this year in catalogue 93-806, bulletin 3.7. In the meantime, further information on private household counts by type for census divisions (counties, regional districts, regional municipalities, etc.) can be obtained by contacting the Census Information Services (613-996-5254), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T7.

Clock and Watch Manufacturers, 1976 — Advance Information

Clock and watch manufacturers shipped \$69.0 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 0.4% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 0.9% to \$30.3 million, the number of employees decreased 4.2% to 1,306 and total salaries and wages increased 16.8% to \$13.8 million.

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Scientific and Professional Equipment Industries, 1976* (47-206, \$1.05).

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Silver, Lead and Zinc Production, November 1977 (26-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Estimated Value of Shipments, Inventories and Orders in All Manufacturing Industries

(Based on 1974 Census of Manufacturers Benchmarks)

	Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
	Nov. 1977p	Oct. 1977r	Sept. 1977	Nov. 1976
	(\$ millions)			
Shipments: Total	9,839.1	9,804.2	9,714.1	8,692.9
Non-durable	5,235.7	5,221.4	5,201.0	4,694.4
Durable	4,603.5	4,582.8	4,513.1	3,998.5
New Orders: Total	9,853.7	9,870.9	9,667.6	8,617.2
Non-durable	5,242.2	5,233.8	5,203.6	4,681.3
Durable	4,611.6	4,637.2	4,463.9	3,935.9
Unfilled Orders: Total	10,644.4	10,629.8	10,563.1	9,683.3
Non-durable	1,474.4	1,467.9	1,455.6	1,382.6
Durable	9,170.0	9,161.9	9,107.5	8,300.7
Inventory Owned: Total	18,330.5	18,035.3	18,126.0	16,750.9
Inventory Held: Total	19,456.3	19,146.0	19,097.4	17,851.5
Raw materials	7,862.3	7,779.1	7,783.9	7,340.7
Goods in process	5,280.0	5,191.8	5,090.0	4,833.2
Finished Products	6,314.1	6,175.1	6,223.5	5,677.5
	Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Shipments: Total	9,316.6	9,555.1	9,373.2	8,333.2
Non-durable	5,020.2	5,118.2	4,996.5	4,521.5
Durable	4,296.4	4,436.9	4,376.7	3,811.7
New Orders: Total	9,343.8	9,567.9	9,434.9	8,274.6
Non-durable	5,051.4	5,091.8	5,040.3	4,531.6
Durable	4,292.4	4,476.1	4,394.6	3,743.0
Unfilled Orders: Total	10,657.9	10,648.7	10,635.9	9,716.2
Non-durable	1,500.4	1,469.2	1,495.6	1,405.3
Durable	9,175.5	9,179.5	9,140.3	8,310.9
Inventory Owned: Total	18,514.1	18,255.6	18,255.0	16,902.4
Inventory Held: Total	19,629.2	19,351.5	19,226.0	17,993.5
Raw materials	7,870.0	7,780.6	7,762.4	7,347.5
Goods in process	5,250.1	5,193.0	5,090.9	4,802.8
Finished products	6,509.1	6,377.9	6,372.7	5,843.2
Ratio of Total Inventory Owned to Shipments	1.99	1.91	1.95	2.03
Ratio of Finished Products to Shipments	0.70	0.67	0.68	0.70

Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, November 1977 — Advance Information

Manufacturers' shipments in November, seasonally adjusted, were estimated at \$9,316.6 million, down 2.5% from the revised October level of \$9,555.1 million. Durable goods shipments were estimated at \$4,296.4 million, 3.2% below the revised October value of \$4,436.9 million, while non-durable goods shipments, estimated at \$5,020.2 million, were 1.9% less than the revised October value of \$5,118.2 million.

New orders in all manufacturing industries, seasonally adjusted, were estimated at \$9,343.8 million, down 2.3% from \$9,567.9 million (revised) in October. Durable goods new orders dropped 4.1% to \$4,292.4 million from \$4,476.1 million, while non-durable goods new orders were estimated at \$5,051.4 million, 0.8% below the revised October value of \$5,091.8 million.

Seasonally-adjusted unfilled orders in all manufacturing industries in November were estimated at \$10,675.9 million, up 0.3% from \$10,648.7 million (revised) in October.

Total inventory owned, seasonally adjusted, was estimated at \$18,514.1 million, 1.4% higher than the revised October value of \$18,255.6 million. Total inventory held, seasonally adjusted, also rose 1.4% to \$19,629.2 million in November from \$19,351.5 million in October with increases of 1.1% in both raw materials and goods in process and a rise of 2.1% in finished products.

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Estimated Value of Shipments of Own Manufacture by Province of Origin

	Nov. 1977p	Oct. 1977r	Not Seasonally Adjusted % change	Jan.-Nov. 1977p	Jan.-Nov. 1976	% change
	(\$ millions)			(\$ millions)		
Newfoundland	60.1	59.2	1.4	600.1	535.5	12.1
Nova Scotia	210.3	192.1	9.5	2,020.3	1,805.0	11.9
New Brunswick	177.8	166.0	7.1	1,915.6	1,692.8	13.2
Quebec	2,486.5	2,496.7	-0.4	25,700.6	23,597.8	8.9
Ontario	5,112.0	5,035.1	-1.5	51,336.3	46,087.1	11.4
Manitoba	254.0	245.4	3.5	2,693.3	2,528.8	6.5
Saskatchewan	117.8	123.9	-4.9	1,257.5	1,124.8	11.8
Alberta	527.8	567.4	-7.0	5,613.0	4,828.0	16.3
British Columbia	881.1	906.9	-2.9	9,362.0	7,982.7	17.3
Canada*	9,839.1	9,804.2	0.4	100,627.8	90,304.3	11.4

*Includes Prince Edward Island, the Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

NOTE: Figures may not add due to rounding.

The seasonally-adjusted ratio of total inventory owned to shipments in November was 1.99:1 compared to the revised October ratio of 1.91:1. The finished products to shipments ratio was 0.70:1 compared to 0.67:1 (revised).

Not adjusted for seasonal variation, manufacturers' shipments in November at an estimated \$9,839.1 million showed a 0.4% increase from the revised October level of \$9,804.2 million. Shipments for the first 11 months of 1977 are estimated at \$100,627.8 million, up 11.4% from the corresponding 1976 value of \$90,304.3 million.

For further information, order the November issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact H.D. Wightman (613-996-7008), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Radio and Television Broadcasting, 1976 — Advance Information

Privately-owned radio broadcasting revenues for the year ended August 31, 1976 were up 17% from the previous year to \$244 million. Net profit before tax was \$35 million, an increase of 17%.

Television broadcasting revenues increased 21% to \$282 million. Programming, technical, sales and administrative expenses rose 14% to \$209 million. Depreciation was \$12 million and interest expense \$7 million. Other adjustments produced income of \$5 million. Net profit before tax was estimated at \$59 million, an increase of \$20 million over 1975.

In addition CBC operations produced revenues from sale of air time of \$59 million compared to \$53 million in the previous period. The net cost of operating the CBC during the period was \$334 million compared to \$268 million for the previous period.

Further information will be included in the 1976 issue of *Radio and Television Broadcasting* (56-204, 70¢). For further information, contact Patrick Crosby (613-996-9274), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Cable Television, 1976 — Advance Information

Cable television revenues for the year ended August 31, 1976 were \$199 million, up 23% from \$162 million in the previous year.

Programming, technical, sales and administrative expenses increased 25.5% to \$108 million from \$86 million. Depreciation was estimated at \$40 million and interest expense at \$18 million, other income was \$2 million, leaving a profit before income tax of \$35 million compared to \$31 million the previous year, a 13% increase.

Further information will be included in the 1976 issue of *Cable Television* (56-205, 70¢). For further information, contact Patrick Crosby (613-996-9274), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, January 1, 1978 — Advance Information

Stocks of fruits, frozen and in preservatives, in storages and factories on January 1 totalled 39.5 million pounds compared with 35.1 million last year. Holdings of vegetables, frozen and in brine, totalled 147.5 million pounds (150.9 million in 1977).

For further information, order the January issue of *Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables* (32-010, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Vegetable Oil Mills, 1976 — Advance Information

Vegetable oil mills shipped \$312.4 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 8.1% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 8.7% to \$33.8 million, the number of employees increased 22.9% to 897 and total salaries and wages increased 38.3% to \$12.2 million.

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Vegetable Oil Mills*, 1976 (32-223, 70¢).

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

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Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Charlottetown, Moncton, Saint John and Sydney by calling the operator and asking for ZENITH 22066. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

Fruit and Vegetable Production, January 1978 — Advance Information

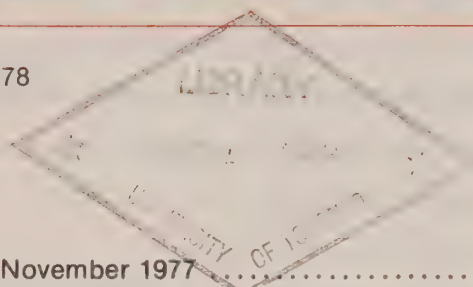
The January publication contains details on the area, production and value of processing vegetables and the total acquisitions of vegetables by processors in 1977.

Also contained in this issue, the last of the season, is a summary of 1977 growing conditions and crop production for each growing region. Order *Fruit and Vegetable Production* (22-003, 40¢/\$3), or contact Karen Wardley (613-994-9994), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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Imports by Commodities

Full details on commodity-country import trade for November are now available either on microfiche or by telephone in advance of the regular publication *Imports by Commodities* (65-007, 80¢/\$8). Direct information requests to G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Full details on commodity-country export trade for November are now available either on microfiche or by telephone in advance of the regular publication *Exports by Commodities* (65-004, 80¢/\$8). Direct information requests to G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Quarterly Bulletin of Agricultural Statistics, April-June 1977 (21-003, \$1.40/\$5.60)

The Dairy Review, November 1977 (23-001, 40¢/\$4)

Grain Milling Statistics, November 1977 (32-003, 30¢/\$3)

Consumption, Production and Inventories of Rubber, November 1977 (33-003, 30¢/\$3)

Specified Chemicals, November 1977 (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Production of Canada's Leading Minerals, November 1977 (26-007, 15¢/\$1.50)

Copper and Nickel Production, November 1977 (26-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Radio and Television Receiving Sets, November 1977 (43-004, 30¢/\$3)

Iron Castings and Cast Iron Pipe and Fittings, November 1977 (41-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Breweries, November 1977 (32-019, 15¢/\$1.50)

Gold Production, November 1977 (26-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries, November 1977 (43-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

Real Domestic Product, November 1977 — Advance Information

The seasonally-adjusted index of real domestic product (1971=100) increased 0.6% to 129.1 in November from 128.3 in October. The index of industrial production also increased 0.6% in November. Output of goods-producing industries advanced 0.2%, while that of service-producing industries was up 0.7%.

In goods-producing industries, increases were recorded in mining, utilities, agriculture, and fishing and trapping. In mining, the increase was due entirely to gains in mineral fuels, while metal and non-metal mines showed significant declines. The increase in utilities was due to significant gains in both electrical power output and gas distribution. Manufacturing increased only slightly in November, the advance resulting from increases in durable manufacturing industries. Non-durable manufacturing output declined. In durable manufacturing, the most significant increase was in transportation equipment, where production of motor vehicle manufacturers increased by 5.0%. The decline in non-durable manufacturing is attributable to decreases in the output of food and beverages, rubber and plastic products, and chemicals and chemical products. The only declines in November in the goods-producing industries occurred in forestry and construction. In construction, the decrease was due to lower levels of all components of construction.

In November, service-producing industries posted the second highest monthly increase (0.7%) to date in 1977, second only to a 1.1% increase in August. Transportation, storage and communication, trade, finance, insurance and real estate, and community, business and personal services each recorded large gains during November. Public administration and defence services were unchanged from October. In transportation, storage and communication, increases were recorded in air transport, pipeline transport and

communication. Railway transport declined due to lower shipments of wheat, iron ore and wood products. A decline in bus transport was caused by strikes. The most notable increase in the service-producing industries occurred in retail trade, which rose 3.1%. Increases were widespread and substantial throughout the majority of store types. Department stores registered the major increase (10.0%), while motor vehicle dealers declined slightly in November. Wholesale trade was relatively unchanged from October. Community, business and personal service industries showed strength during the month, due mainly to increases in accommodation and food services.

For further information, order the November issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (including the Index of Industrial Production)*, (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Leather Tanneries Industry, 1976 — Advance Information

The leather tanneries industry shipped \$123.7 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 18.9% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 7.2% to \$48.2 million, the number of employees increased 0.3% to 2,613 and total salaries and wages increased 13.9% to \$29.2 million.

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Leather Tanneries, 1976* (33-202, 70¢).

Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971 = 100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 Percentage weight	1977				% Change
		Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	
Real Domestic Product	100.000	128.3	128.1	128.3	129.1	0.6
Agriculture	3.371	92.9	94.0	95.1	95.6	0.5
Forestry	.715	124.3	115.2	109.1	107.7	-1.3
Fishing and Trapping	.181	109.0	111.2	117.2	122.4	4.4
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	116.8	111.5	109.1	111.2	1.9
Manufacturing industries	22.862	123.7	123.9	124.6	124.8	0.2
Construction industry	6.990	113.2	111.7	113.3	112.0	-1.1
Transportation, storage and communication	9.096	136.9	138.0	137.4	137.7	0.2
Transportation	5.874	126.2	126.7	126.1	126.0	-0.1
Air transport and services incidental to air transport	.679	172.7	178.6	180.5	184.2	2.0
Railway transport	1.700	126.9	123.6	122.7	120.6	-1.7
Bus transport, interurban and rural	.089	132.9	134.2	132.8	138.2	4.1
Urban transit systems	.250	121.9	126.9	114.6	103.1	-10.0
Pipeline transport	.489	121.7	122.0	120.7	123.6	2.4
Storage	.258	124.6	113.6	109.3	104.4	-4.5
Grain elevators	.177	118.9	102.9	97.4	90.9	-6.7
Communication	2.964	159.2	162.3	162.2	163.9	1.0
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	145.2	145.3	147.8	151.6	2.6
Trade	11.367	135.2	134.7	133.7	136.1	1.8
Wholesale trade	4.509	126.9	126.8	125.2	125.0	-0.2
Wholesale merchants	3.242	126.9	126.8	126.1	126.3	0.2
Retail trade	6.858	140.7	140.0	139.2	143.5	3.1
Food stores	1.368	113.3	115.6	115.4	118.1	2.3
General merchandise stores	1.562	148.7	143.1	140.3	149.5	6.6
Department stores	.927	172.7	165.9	160.8	177.0	10.1
Other general merchandise stores	.635	113.5	109.8	110.3	109.4	-0.8
Motor vehicle dealers	.697	153.8	158.3	156.3	153.1	-2.0
Clothing stores	.462	132.9	124.6	120.9	122.9	1.7
Hardware stores	.098	123.8	116.2	114.6	118.4	3.3
Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores	.177	143.4	138.8	131.9	136.1	3.2
Drug stores	.290	168.5	169.4	168.5	176.1	4.5
Finance, insurance and real estate	12.036	135.8	135.2	135.4	136.3	0.7
Community, business and personal service industries	19.359	133.8	134.3	135.0	135.9	0.7
Education and related services	6.509	111.9	112.6	113.1	113.6	0.4
Health and welfare services	5.272	133.2	133.7	134.0	134.4	0.3
Amusement and recreation services	.427	171.1	174.4	177.5	175.0	-1.4
Services to business management	2.311	194.4	193.7	195.0	197.4	1.2
Personal services	1.000	106.8	106.9	107.3	106.9	-0.4
Accommodation and food services	2.799	139.5	141.0	142.4	145.3	2.0
Public administration and defence	7.388	125.1	125.3	125.5	125.5	—
Special groupings:						
Index of industrial production	29.497	124.9	124.3	124.8	125.6	0.6
Real domestic product less agriculture	96.629	129.5	129.3	129.5	130.3	0.6
Goods-producing industries	40.754	120.2	119.4	120.1	120.4	0.2
Goods-producing industries less agriculture	37.383	122.6	121.7	122.4	122.7	0.2
Service-producing industries	59.246	133.9	134.0	134.0	135.0	0.7
Commercial industries	81.341	130.5	130.2	130.5	131.3	0.6
Commercial industries less agriculture	77.970	132.2	131.8	132.0	132.9	0.7
Non-commercial industries	18.659	118.4	118.9	119.1	119.4	0.3
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	121.4	120.2	121.6	121.3	-0.2
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	126.2	127.6	127.8	128.3	0.4

Housing Starts and Completions in Centres of 10,000 Population & Over

November 1977 — Advance Information

	Starts					Completions				
	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total
Newfoundland	42	2	19	147	210	63	66	4	80	213
Prince Edward Island	9	—	—	—	9	15	—	—	—	15
Nova Scotia	158	32	16	177	383	177	13	1	—	191
New Brunswick	83	16	—	31	130	145	8	10	147	310
Quebec	1,624	234	32	2,069	3,959	1,931	130	32	2,074	4,167
Ontario	1,763	916	1,070	2,077	5,826	2,410	754	1,338	2,143	6,645
Manitoba	207	110	81	164	562	369	116	57	158	700
Saskatchewan	377	32	12	531	952	363	10	45	228	646
Alberta	1,069	248	772	1,288	3,377	978	175	1,164	1,699	4,016
British Columbia	870	114	406	1,224	2,614	1,033	124	220	925	2,302
Canada	6,202	1,704	2,408	7,708	18,022	7,484	1,396	2,871	7,454	19,205
Metropolitan Areas										
Calgary	407	130	609	577	1,723	257	82	359	701	1,399
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	34	—	—	18	52	24	—	—	—	24
Edmonton	493	90	163	624	1,370	468	34	596	706	1,804
Halifax	85	30	16	101	232	141	13	1	—	155
Hamilton	132	82	83	272	569	153	50	—	—	203
Hull	10	—	—	6	16	26	—	—	6	32
Kitchener	110	58	115	42	325	149	10	52	34	245
London	119	10	—	—	129	155	2	284	87	528
Montreal	689	152	20	1,292	2,153	771	79	32	1,602	2,484
Oshawa	112	54	6	—	172	103	44	16	181	344
Ottawa	108	168	87	479	842	120	40	94	—	254
Quebec	470	54	—	434	958	558	42	—	205	805
Regina	204	6	12	339	561	181	6	10	—	197
St. Catharines-Niagara	99	40	—	—	139	150	62	—	62	274
Saint John	14	12	—	—	26	24	—	10	97	131
St. John's	38	—	19	147	204	40	14	—	80	134
Saskatoon	78	14	—	60	152	59	—	—	56	115
Sudbury	43	10	—	—	53	139	10	—	79	228
Thunder Bay	65	50	83	69	267	113	2	30	169	314
Toronto	365	262	450	639	1,716	462	390	660	657	2,169
Vancouver	383	60	370	1,120	1,933	500	58	77	668	1,303
Victoria	57	28	—	6	91	69	20	8	121	218
Windsor	64	—	14	120	198	67	2	—	—	69
Winnipeg	175	108	81	76	440	320	114	57	154	645
Sub-Total	4,354	1,418	2,128	6,421	14,321	5,049	1,074	2,286	5,665	14,074
Major Urban Areas	555	150	88	441	1,234	725	96	22	606	1,449
Other areas 10,000 +	1,293	136	192	846	2,467	1,710	226	563	1,183	3,682
All Areas 10,000 +	6,202	1,704	2,408	7,708	18,022	7,484	1,396	2,871	7,454	19,205

For further information, contact J.P. D  lisle (613-994-9527), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, K1A 0T6, or order the November issue of *Housing Starts and Completions* (64-002, 55¢/\$5.50).

Sales Financing, November 1977 — Advance Information

Sales finance companies purchased \$267.2 million of retail finance paper in November, an increase of 14.7% compared with the \$233.0 million purchased in November 1976. Total purchases comprised \$53.3 million for passenger cars, \$35.8 million for other consumer goods, \$96.0 million for commercial vehicles and \$82.1 million for other commercial and industrial goods.

Wholesale financing undertaken by these companies during the third quarter of 1977 amounted to \$1,706.8 million, an increase of 13.2% over the \$1,507.2 million financed in July-September 1976.

For further information, order the November issue of *Sales Financing* (63-013, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Fur Dressing and Dyeing Industry, 1976 — Advance Information

The fur dressing and dyeing industry shipped \$17.6 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 6.8% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 0.1% to \$11.7 million, the number of employees decreased 2.0% to 1,462 and total salaries and wages decreased 2.2% to \$8.9 million.

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries*, 1976 (47-205, \$1.05).

Summary of Net Shipments* of Rolled Steel Products

November 1977 — Advance Information.

	Domestic		Export		Total	
	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes
Ingot and semi-finished shapes	28,973	26 284	35,251	31 980	64,224	58 264
Rails	11,622	10 543	17,695	16 053	29,317	26 596
Wire rods	58,755	53 302	20,019	18 161	78,774	71 463
Structural shapes:						
Heavy	48,942	44 399	18,207	16 517	67,149	60 916
Bar-sized shapes	14,238	12 917	2,985	2 708	17,223	15 625
Concrete reinforcing bars	49,251	44 680	339	307	49,590	44 987
Other hot rolled bars	96,247	87 315	10,346	9 386	106,593	96 701
Tie plates and track material	1,502	1 363	1,037	941	2,539	2 304
Plates (including plates for pipes and tubes)	91,879	83 353	17,106	15 518	108,985	98 871
Hot rolled sheets and strip	209,076	189 670	17,244	15 644	226,320	205 314
Cold finished bars	9,960	9 036	366	332	10,326	9 368
Cold reduced sheets and strip, cold rolled						
other, coated	156,175	141 679	18,369	16 664	174,544	158 343
Galvanized sheets	80,188	72 744	13,341	12 102	93,529	84 846
Total	856,808	777 285	172,305	156 313	1,029,113	933 598

*Producers' shipments excluding producers' interchange.

For further information, order the November issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.**Pulpwood and Wood Residue, November 1977 — Advance Information**

Roundwood production increased 3.8% to 1,471,316 cunits (4 167 000 m³) in November from 1,416,895 cunits (4 013 000 m³) in November 1976. Consumption of roundwood and wood residue increased 0.4% to 2,346,759 cunits (6 645 000 m³) from 2,338,319 cunits (6 621 000 m³) and closing inventory of these two products decreased 7.9% to 10,735,026 cunits (30 398 000 m³) from 11,661,988 cunits (33 025 000 m³). Receipts of wood residue decreased 4.3% to 979,620 cunits (2 774 000 m³) from 1,023,257 cunits (2 896 000 m³).

For further information, order the November issue of *Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics* (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Leather Glove Industry, 1976 — Advance Information

The leather glove industry shipped \$26.6 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 6.7% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 10.1% to \$16.9 million, the number of employees increased 0.8% to 1,286 and total salaries and wages increased 13.1% to \$11.3 million.

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Leather Glove Factories*, 1976 (33-204, 70¢).

Steel Ingots, Week Ended January 21, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended January 21 was 302,851 short tons (274 742 t), an increase of 2.2% from the preceding week's total of 295,348 short tons (268 842 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was 281,103 tons (255 012 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 165.3 in the current week, 161.7 a week earlier and 153.4 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Farm Cash Receipts, November 1977 (21-001, 30¢/\$3)

Footwear Statistics, November 1977 (33-002, 30¢/\$3)

Cheques Cashed, November 1977 (61-001, 30¢/\$3)

Quarterly Estimates of Trusteed Pension Funds, 3rd Quarter 1977 (74-001, 35¢/\$1.40)

Asphalt Roofing, November 1977 (45-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, September 1977 (35-001, 30¢/\$3)

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending January 14

	Eastern* Division	Western* Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	2,002,953	1,889,969	3,892,922
Short tons, 1977	1,966,799	1,910,718	3,877,517
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 817 048	1 714 551	3 531 599
Metric tonnes, 1977	1 784 250	1 733 374	3 517 624
% change	1.8	-1.1	0.4
Cars, 1978	32,970	29,609	62,579
Cars, 1977	31,349	29,754	61,103
% change	5.2	-0.5	2.4
Piggyback traffic **:			
Short tons, 1978	157,333	60,740	218,073
Short tons, 1977	119,366	53,648	173,014
Metric tonnes, 1978	142 730	55 102	197 832
Metric tonnes, 1977	108 287	48 669	156 956
% change	31.8	13.2	26.0
Cars, 1978	4,631	2,480	7,111
Cars, 1977	3,581	2,306	5,887
% change	29.3	7.5	20.8
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	3,785,718	3,197,825	6,983,543
Short tons, 1977	3,880,369	3,272,005	7,152,374
Metric tonnes, 1978	3 434 346	2 901 018	6 335 364
Metric tonnes, 1977	3 520 212	2 968 313	6 488 525
% change	-2.4	-2.3	-2.4
Cars, 1978	60,566	49,616	110,182
Cars, 1977	61,044	50,688	111,732
% change	-0.8	-2.1	-1.4
Piggyback traffic**:			
Short tons, 1978	269,264	98,585	367,849
Short tons, 1977	229,751	89,162	318,913
Metric tonnes, 1978	244 272	89 435	333 706
Metric tonnes, 1977	208 427	80 886	289 313
% change	17.2	10.6	15.3
Cars, 1978	7,941	4,042	11,983
Cars, 1977	6,905	3,864	10,769
% change	15.0	4.6	11.3

*The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

**Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

***All 1977 figures have been revised — 1978 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended January 14, 1978
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Canadian railways reported revenue freight loadings totalling 3.5 million t (3.9 million short tons) in the above-noted week, an increase of 0.4% over the same 1977 period. Traffic in the East was up 1.8% in the latest seven days, while west of the Lakehead a decline of 1.1% was recorded. The number of loaded cars totalled 62,579, a gain of 2.4%.

Trailer-container (piggyback) shipments rose sharply, increasing 31.8% in the East and 13.2% in the West. Nationally, this traffic was up 26.0% from the corresponding 1977 period.

In the first two weeks of 1978, rail freight loadings at 6.3 million t (7.0 million short tons) were 2.4% below

the 1977 pace, with the corresponding carload count down 1.4% to 110,182. Trailer-container (piggyback) traffic was up 15.3%.

For further information, contact L.E. Robbins or R.J. Staveley (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Local Government Finance, Preliminary 1976 and Estimates 1977 — Advance Information

A survey of budgets and other sources of financial information indicates that in 1977 local government revenue rose to \$18.3 billion, up 9.5% over 1976. Expenditures increased 10.1% and exceeded \$19.5 billion.

Pending publication of *Local Government Finance, Preliminary 1976 and Estimates 1977* (68-203, \$1.40), copies of the principal revenue and expenditure tables appearing in the publication are available upon request from Mr. G.A. Marr (613-995-0713), Chief, Local Government Section, Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Electric Power Statistics, September 1977 — Advance Information

In September net generation increased to 23.6 TW.h from 21.5 TW.h in September 1976. Hydro generation increased 7.3% while thermal production rose 14.8%.

For further information, order the September issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Button, Buckle and Fastener Manufacturing Industry, 1976 — Advance Information

The button, buckle and fastener manufacturing industry shipped \$44.8 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 4.0% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 7.9% to \$27.5 million, the number of employees decreased 4.3% to 1,809 and total salaries and wages increased 7.9% to \$17.0 million.

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries, 1976* (47-205, \$1.05).

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- Consumer Credit, November 1977** (61-004, 30¢/\$3)
- New Motor Vehicle Sales, November 1977** (63-007, 30¢/\$3)
- Shipping Statistics, September 1977** (54-002, 30¢/\$3)
- The Highway, Road, Street and Bridge Contracting Industry, 1975** (64-206, \$1.05)
- Oil Pipe Line Transport, October 1977** (55-001, 30¢/\$3)
- Products Shipped By Canadian Manufacturers, 1975** (31-211, \$2.80)
- Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies, October 1977** (35-002, 30¢/\$3)
- Specified Domestic Electrical Appliances, November 1977** (43-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Monthly Production of Soft Drinks, December 1977 (32-001, 15¢/\$1.50)**Service Bulletins:**

Selected Dairy By-products (32-024, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 23, Production and Inventory of Instant Dry Skim Milk Powder, December 1977

Rubber and Plastics Products Industries (47-002, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 8, Factory Shipments of High Pressure Decorative Laminate Sheet, Quarter Ended December 31, 1977

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, 1977: No. 7, Pack of Processed Plums; No. 8, Pack of Processed Peaches

Psychiatric In-patient Movement, by Province and Sex, 1977

Province	Number of reporting institutions	On books January 1st		Admissions		Separations		On books December 31	
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Newfoundland	9	165	112	1,425	1,427	1,436	1,427	154	112
Prince Edward Island	3	78	38	1,424	379	1,422	372	80	45
Nova Scotia	17	893	604	2,264	2,065	2,428	2,175	729	494
New Brunswick	7	682	479	1,428	1,351	1,435	1,348	675	482
Quebec	82	9,596	7,202	15,721	12,912	16,045	13,542	9,272	6,572
Ontario	148	9,642	6,773	27,706	28,798	27,881	29,051	9,467	6,520
Manitoba	29	1,565	1,221	3,264	2,681	3,303	2,682	1,526	1,220
Saskatchewan	12	872	705	1,805	1,930	1,846	1,948	831	687
Alberta	30	2,588	2,031	5,118	4,568	5,208	4,633	2,498	1,966
British Columbia	45	2,844	2,401	5,838	7,293	5,961	7,507	2,721	2,187
Canada	382	28,925	21,566	65,993	63,404	66,965	64,685	27,953	20,285

Psychiatric In-patient Movement, by Type of Institution and Sex, 1977

Type of Institution	Number of reporting institutions	On books January 1st		Admissions		Separations		On books December 31	
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Public mental hospital	42	12,547	9,427	18,739	12,202	19,457	13,171	11,829	8,458
Institution for the mentally retarded	88	10,919	8,011	2,576	1,762	2,876	2,159	10,619	7,614
Public psychiatric unit	148	1,929	2,222	28,707	40,727	28,590	40,646	2,046	2,303
Federal psychiatric unit	6	502	5	721	70	711	72	512	3
Psychiatric hospital	13	742	675	6,347	5,846	6,317	5,807	772	714
Aged and senile home	5	513	487	128	83	147	106	494	464
Hospital for addicts	20	309	62	7,193	1,686	7,199	1,691	303	57
Treatment centre for emotionally disturbed children	58	1,333	609	1,462	915	1,553	924	1,242	600
Epilepsy hospital	2	131	68	120	113	115	109	136	72
All institutions	382	28,925	21,566	65,993	63,404	66,965	64,685	27,953	20,285

For further information, contact the Mental Health Section, Health Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Mental Health Statistics, Patient Movement, 1977 — Advance Information

Psychiatric in-patient facilities reported 129,397 admissions in 1977, a 2% increase from 1976. Separations also increased by 2% to 131,650.

The year-end census of patients on books stood at 48,238, a decrease of 5% from the previous year. Males

accounted for 51% of admissions and 58% of patients on books.

For further information, contact the Mental Health Section (613-995-0708), Health Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Building Permits

(million of dollars)

		1976					1977				
		Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total	Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total
Canada — Unadjusted	Sept.	693.8	80.1	191.0	73.0	1,037.9	689.1	120.0	235.7	161.6	1,206.4
	Oct.	656.7	89.4	220.9	99.1	1,066.1	631.0	111.7	205.5	87.9	1,036.1
	Nov.	606.1	77.3	228.9	129.5	1,041.8	621.9	69.1	197.2	115.7	1,003.9
Canada — Adjusted	Sept.	618.2	63.7	173.5	72.2	927.5	625.0	98.3	218.2	159.6	1,101.1
	Oct.	620.0	74.0	231.7	78.0	1,003.7	590.3	89.0	218.3	65.4	963.0
	Nov.	658.2	86.5	227.1	103.9	1,075.7	671.4	78.8	189.6	98.4	1,038.2
Canada, Jan.-Nov.—Unadjusted		7,093.4	942.9	2,327.2	1,048.4	11,411.9	7,058.4	942.6	2,231.1	1,264.2	11,496.3
Newfoundland		72.8	1.4	18.0	9.9	102.1	49.7	8.2	26.5	10.9	95.3
Prince Edward Island		27.2	6.9	5.5	6.5	46.1	38.1	11.0	7.8	9.6	66.5
Nova Scotia		175.9	32.3	34.7	32.0	274.9	205.5	7.8	47.2	39.7	300.2
New Brunswick		130.0	13.7	59.7	38.6	242.0	98.0	5.7	35.4	20.2	159.3
Quebec		1,480.0	197.4	630.4	254.2	2,562.0	1,412.3	217.9	364.1	330.2	2,324.5
Ontario		2,444.7	441.9	627.4	325.5	3,839.5	2,455.5	416.3	651.2	387.6	3,910.6
Manitoba		244.5	35.2	98.9	35.7	414.3	235.0	24.6	63.5	42.8	365.9
Saskatchewan		296.6	17.3	101.7	71.2	486.8	304.9	19.3	112.2	51.2	487.6
Alberta		1,159.8	69.0	380.6	118.1	1,727.5	1,285.9	134.0	565.7	160.6	2,146.2
British Columbia		1,054.0	124.7	363.7	155.7	1,698.1	956.2	97.6	355.0	202.7	1,611.5
Yukon and Northwest Territories		7.9	3.1	6.6	1.0	18.6	17.3	0.2	2.5	8.7	28.7

Building Permits, November 1977 — Advance Information

Permits issued during November recovered from the drop experienced in October (\$963.0 million) and reached a seasonally-adjusted total of \$1,038.2 million, a figure close to the monthly average of \$1,045.1 million during 1977. The total in November 1976 was \$1,075.7 million.

The improvement in November 1977 is the result of an unusual number of permits for multiple dwellings (13,690 units) which more than compensated for a decrease in the number of single-detached homes (7,838). In October, only 10,745 multiples had been authorized but 8,588 permits had been issued for singles. The value of all residential permits totalled \$671.4 million in November compared to \$590.3 million in October, an increase of 13.4%.

Non-residential permits remained weak at \$366.7 million in November, reflecting little change from the October figure of \$372.7 million. Both industrial (\$78.8 million) and commercial permits (\$189.6 million) decreased from October (\$88.9 million for industrial and \$218.5 million for commercial), while government-initiated construction projects rose from \$65.4 million in October to \$98.4 million in November.

Municipal returns on hand for the month of December suggest that the value of permits during that month will approach if not exceed the \$1.1 billion mark (seasonally adjusted) resulting from continuing strong residential activity in the western provinces. Among large non-residential projects approved, there was a \$19 million shopping mall in St. John's and a \$10 million plant in Varennes, Que. The seasonally-adjusted value of new building projects was \$1.0 billion in December 1976.

For further information, order the November issue of *Building Permits* (64-001, 70¢/\$7), or contact J.P. Delisle (613-994-9312), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Pension Plans in Canada, 1976 — Advance Information

Participation in private pension plans in Canada increased to a record level of over 3.9 million workers at the beginning of 1976, up significantly from the 3.4 million covered by pension plans in operation two years earlier. This increased participation is particularly significant because it occurred over a period when the number of pension plans actually dropped slightly to 15,625 in 1976 from 15,853 in 1974.

Annual contributions from both employers and employees reached a record level of nearly \$4.6 billion for the calendar year 1975, almost three times the amount contributed just five years earlier.

Detailed information on the characteristics of pension plans will be published in March in *Pension Plans in Canada, 1976* (74-401, \$1.40).

Manufacturers of Household Radio and Television Receivers, 1976 — Advance Information

Manufacturers of household radio and TV receivers shipped \$253.6 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, down 7.3% from 1975. Total value added by the industry decreased 16.0% to \$111.5 million, the number of employees decreased 9.8% to 6,347 and total salaries and wages increased 3.4% to \$68.4 million.

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Household Radio and Television Receivers, 1976* (43-205, 70¢).

Building Permits

November 1977

	Number of Dwelling Units			Value of Residential and Non-Residential Construction				
	Singles	Multiples	Total	Residen- tial (\$000)	Indus- trial	Commer- cial	Institu- tional and govern- mental	Total
Newfoundland	42	51	93	2,753	205	555	1,075	4,588
Prince Edward Island	54	79	133	3,360	998	1,188	622	6,168
Nova Scotia	314	452	766	20,149	290	11,347	12,248	44,034
New Brunswick	112	181	293	8,104	699	4,349	1,360	14,512
Quebec	1,795	2,603	4,398	119,176	18,074	21,375	15,238	173,863
Ontario	1,780	3,732	5,512	194,800	31,761	52,100	21,018	299,679
Manitoba	198	1,284	1,482	27,661	2,421	5,522	3,556	39,160
Saskatchewan	336	1,268	1,604	36,718	1,784	10,322	8,932	57,756
Alberta	1,397	3,681	5,078	141,809	5,920	73,529	41,617	262,875
British Columbia	920	1,144	2,064	66,336	6,946	16,174	9,752	99,208
Yukon	11	4	15	597	—	689	269	1,555
Northwest Territories	7	—	7	390	15	65	—	470
Canada — Unadjusted	6,966	14,479	21,445	621,853	69,113	197,215	115,687	1,003,868
Canada — Adjusted	7,838	13,690	21,528	671,426	78,797	189,552	98,424	1,038,199
Metropolitan Areas	3,700	11,047	14,747	428,292	44,834	140,036	84,974	698,136
Calgary	431	1,487	1,918	52,378	1,244	27,846	36,439	117,907
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	32	143	175	3,961	329	480	75	4,845
Edmonton	387	1,648	2,035	54,496	2,427	27,606	188	84,717
Halifax	122	386	508	13,730	64	8,903	9,778	32,475
Hamilton	62	321	383	10,861	2,418	2,533	3,633	19,445
Hull	11	3	14	653	3	797	30	1,483
Kitchener	96	74	170	5,597	633	671	683	7,584
London	193	104	297	8,494	909	1,872	534	11,809
Montreal	784	1,102	1,886	49,859	12,261	6,461	6,541	75,122
Ottawa	42	685	727	18,416	767	3,674	3,025	25,882
Quebec	271	703	974	28,285	410	3,577	1,235	33,507
Regina	44	200	244	5,887	667	2,697	2,525	11,776
St. Catharines-Niagara	90	28	118	4,145	329	1,170	186	5,830
Saint John	12	—	12	595	5	3,257	137	3,994
St. John's	7	—	7	443	—	181	—	624
Saskatoon	130	773	903	19,008	562	5,598	3,390	28,558
Sudbury	26	—	26	961	196	362	28	1,547
Thunder Bay	35	20	55	2,113	87	688	491	3,379
Toronto	313	1,346	1,659	82,225	14,232	25,181	5,406	127,044
Vancouver	314	751	1,065	32,978	1,334	7,611	6,990	48,913
Victoria	69	33	102	4,482	143	2,351	224	7,200
Windsor	103	—	103	4,444	3,481	1,975	712	10,612
Winnipeg	126	1,240	1,366	24,281	2,333	4,545	2,724	33,883

Preliminary figures.

For further information order *Building Permits*, November 1977 (64-001, 70¢/\$7).**Honey Production, 1977 — Advance Information**

The final estimate of the 1977 Canadian honey crop is 61.2 million pounds, an increase of 5.1 million pounds from the 1976 crop (56.1 million pounds). The average yield per colony in Canada increased by seven pounds from the 1976 season. Alberta and Manitoba were again the largest producing provinces with productions of 21.4 and 11.4 million pounds respectively.

The total value of 1977 honey is forecast to be \$30.6 million, an increase of 18% from 1976. This was divided among the provinces as follows: Prince Edward Island, \$88,000; Nova Scotia, \$282,000; New Brunswick,

\$178,000; Quebec, \$4,472,000; Ontario, \$4,611,000; Manitoba, \$4,911,000; Saskatchewan, \$3,578,000; Alberta, \$9,224,000 and British Columbia, \$3,272,000.

For further information, order *Honey Production, 1977* (23-007, 35¢/70¢), to be released in February or contact K.C. Wardley (613-994-9994), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

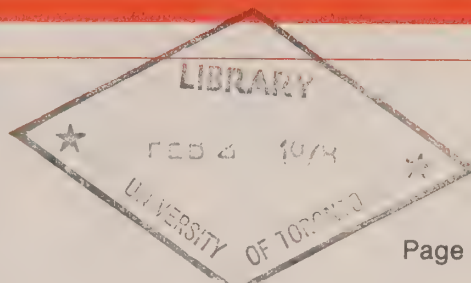
January 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	Jan. 20/78 This week	Jan. 13/78 Week ago	Dec. 23/77 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	97.1	97.4	100.9
Industrials	85	91.2	91.6	95.3
Foods	9	98.4	100.1	100.2
Alcoholic beverages	5	78.3	79.4	80.6
Textiles and clothing	3	119.5	121.9	122.5
Pulp and paper	7	111.3	111.2	114.0
Printing and publishing	5	92.6	92.9	95.6
Primary metals	4	96.3	98.1	102.8
Industrial mines	6	65.6	66.3	69.5
Metal fabricating	9	172.2	172.4	182.2
Non-metallic minerals	4	97.2	96.9	93.5
Petroleum	8	102.0	101.9	106.5
Chemicals	5	101.1	100.8	101.7
Construction	5	272.0	271.3	287.0
Trade	15	78.6	78.0	82.2
Utilities and services	28	102.7	103.1	106.1
Transportation	6	125.9	126.3	129.7
Pipelines	5	89.6	90.2	93.7
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	107.2	107.7	109.0
Telephone	4	107.2	108.1	109.2
Electric power	3	135.8	136.6	137.0
Gas distribution	5	85.6	85.0	90.1
Finances	21	118.1	117.8	121.4
Banks	8	118.0	118.0	121.7
Investment and loan	9	116.2	115.1	118.3
Insurance	4	130.3	130.3	133.2
Mining Index	17	127.9	129.2	118.8
Gold	9	283.2	284.7	252.2
Base metals	8	53.5	54.6	54.9
Uranium	2	177.6	181.4	184.2
Primary oils and gas index	5	131.6	128.5	136.7

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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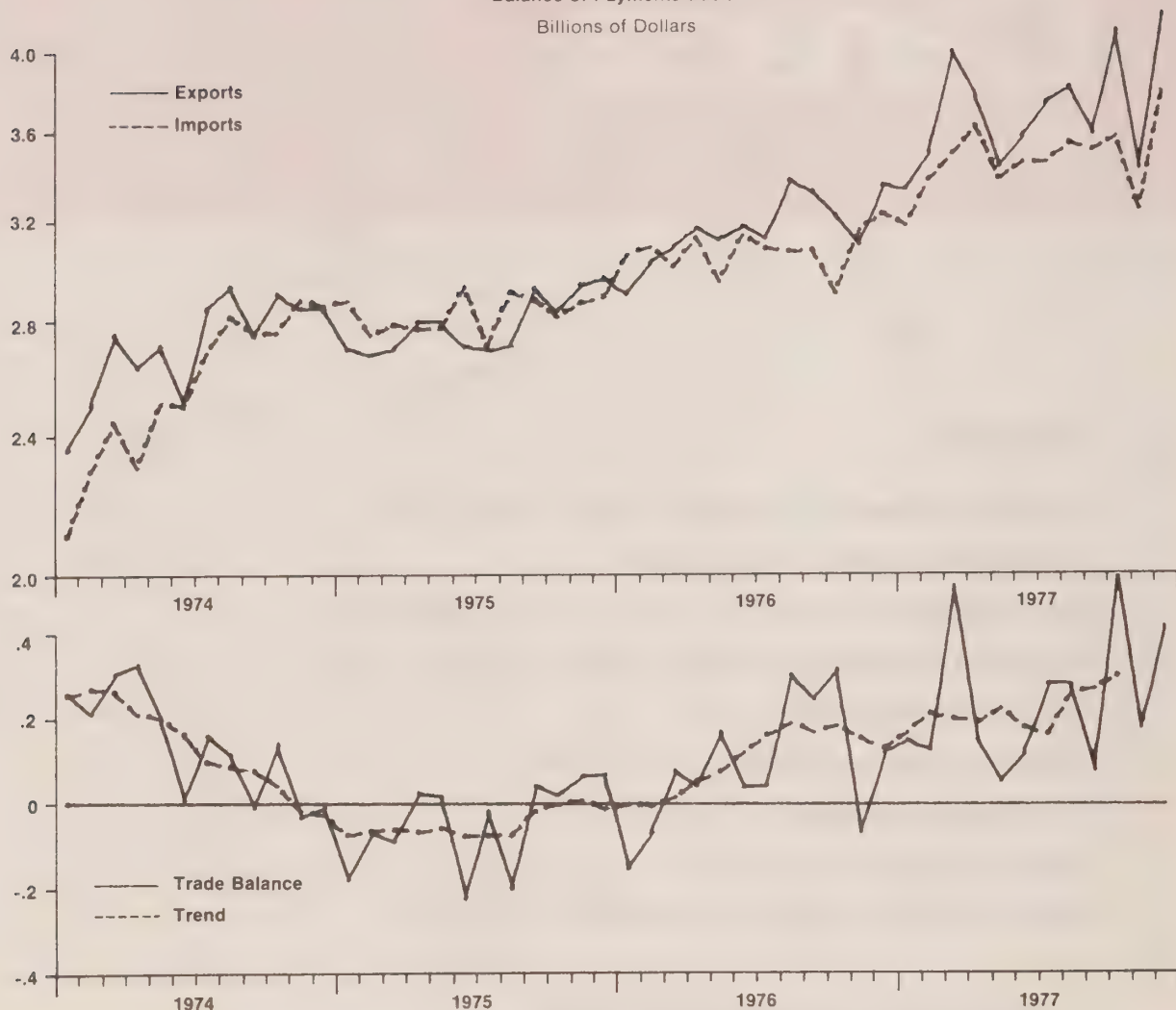
The second edition of *Perspective Canada*, a compendium of social statistics, is still available.

The publication is 340 pages long and contains 345 tables, charts and maps. The topics: population, the changing family, the older Canadians, health, education, work, leisure, income, consumption, urban profiles of Montreal, Toronto and Vancouver, quality of the environment, housing, bilingualism, native peoples, crime and justice.

Perspective Canada II, 1977 (catalogue no. 11-508, \$9.25 in Canada, \$11.00 abroad) provides a notable array of significant social indicators and will be welcomed by a wide variety of interests.

EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE: ALL COUNTRIES

Seasonally Adjusted
Balance of Payments Basis
Billions of Dollars



Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, December 1977 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily and Infomat

Both exports and imports, seasonally adjusted on a balance-of-payments basis, moved up smartly in December, each to record high levels, following declines in November. Exports advanced 23% to \$4,216 million, and imports rose 17% to \$3,796 million. The merchandise trade surplus more than doubled to \$420 million from \$180 million (revised) in November. The December surplus was the third highest in 1977 after March and October.

At \$11,760 million, Canadian exports for the months of October-December stood 5.5% above the total for the September quarter. Seasonally-adjusted imports increased 1% to \$10,616 million in the December quarter. The resultant fourth-quarter surplus of \$1,144 million exceeded that for the entire year 1976. The surplus of \$2,911 million for the year 1977 was the largest since 1970.

The underlying course of Canada's merchandise trade balance is more discernible in the semi-annual changes in the surplus for the past couple of years. The surplus of \$113 million in the first half of 1976 jumped to \$976 million in the second half. An increase of nearly 15% raised the first half 1977 surplus to \$1,120 million, which was followed by a further expansion of 60% to \$1,791 million in the second half of the year.

Exports (Customs Basis) United States

Following a 7% decline in November, seasonally-adjusted exports to the U.S. resurged 18.3% to a record level of \$2,993 million in December. Apart from deliveries of natural gas and trucks, which fell back from unusually high levels of November, shipments of

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Merchandise Trade of Canada

	Customs Basis*		Balance of Payments Basis*				Trade Balance
	Unadjusted		Unadjusted		Seasonally Adjusted		
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports (\$ millions)	Exports	Imports	
1976							
Third Quarter	9,359	8,727	9,289	8,575	9,820	9,220	600
Fourth Quarter	9,876	9,549	10,010	9,452	9,672	9,296	376
1977							
First Quarter	10,293	9,938	10,294	9,824	10,836	10,043	793
Second Quarter	11,536	11,418	11,594	11,236	10,776	10,449	327
Third Quarter	10,581	9,910	10,622	9,840	11,150	10,503	647
Fourth Quarter	11,724	10,788	12,012	10,711	11,760	10,616	1,144
1977							
January	3,149	3,009	3,112	2,974	3,332	3,181	151
February	3,261	3,186	3,250	3,156	3,499	3,371	128
March	3,883	3,743	3,932	3,694	4,005	3,491	514
April	3,501	3,542	3,513	3,485	3,772	3,618	154
May	3,966	3,958	3,974	3,885	3,434	3,381	53
June	4,068	3,919	4,107	3,866	3,570	3,450	120
July	3,553	3,239	3,512	3,189	3,739	3,453	286
August	3,518	3,378	3,523	3,357	3,821	3,539	282
September	3,510	3,293	3,587	3,294	3,590	3,511	79
October	4,050	3,709	4,226	3,690	4,118	3,574	544
November	3,618	3,600	3,733	3,567	3,426	3,246	180
December	4,056	3,479	4,053	3,454	4,216	3,796	420

*In the above table, export and import totals are shown on both a "customs" and a "balance-of-payments" basis. The figures on a customs basis are the totals of detailed merchandise trade data tabulated from customs documents according to procedures and concepts explained in Summary of External Trade. The figures on a balance-of-payments basis reflect a number of adjustments applied to the customs totals to make them consistent with the concepts and definitions used in the system of national accounts. The adjustments include timing adjustments to exports of crude petroleum, natural gas and wheat and to receipts and payments for capital equipment deduction of transportation charges included in the customs returns and the reduction of import values calculated for customs duty purposes to values which reflect transaction prices. For more information about these adjustments, please refer to Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments (67-001, \$1.05/\$2.20).

other commodities increased in December. Contributing prominently were enhanced exports of metallic ores, non-ferrous metals, forestry products, passenger cars, automotive parts and other equipment.

Seasonally-adjusted exports rose further in the fourth quarter by 5.9% to \$8,238 million. About three-quarters of this gain was attributable to trucks and automotive parts. Shipments of natural gas, forestry products, machinery and communication equipment were higher in the months of October-December. Exports of fish, metallic ores, fertilizers and passenger cars declined.

Rising steadily during the year, exports to the U.S. reached \$30,890 million in 1977, up 19.7% over the 1976 total of \$25,796 million. A slightly smaller gain of 18.8% was recorded in 1976. The proportion of exports going to the U.S. expanded from 65.3% in 1975 to 70.0% in 1977. Automotive goods accounted for 36% of the latest increase, with shipments of passenger cars escalating 15.5% to \$3,948 million, of trucks 47.5% to \$2,001 million and of automotive components 23% to \$3,447 million. Following a decline in the September quarter, the peak of automotive shipments occurred in the final quarter. Lumber exports jumped about \$675 million, or 55.5%, to almost \$1,900 million on account of the strong performance for another year of the housing construction industry in the U.S. Increases

exceeding \$400 million each were recorded by three product groups: natural gas; metallic ores and non-ferrous metals; pulp, newsprint and other paper. Fabricated materials including fertilizers, chemicals, petroleum products and steel increased nearly \$660 million. Exports of machinery and other equipment rose more moderately. Crude oil deliveries fell by \$535 million (23.5%) to some \$1,750 million.

Overseas Countries

At \$1,256 million, seasonally-adjusted exports in December to overseas countries were a shade above the October total, following a sharp fall in November. Contributing significantly to this rise were increased shipments of fish, wheat and other cereals, metallic ores, non-ferrous metals, forestry products (other than lumber) and transportation equipment (except trucks). Exports of oilseeds and coal declined in December.

In a three-month comparison, Canadian exports to overseas countries fell 2.5% to \$3,318 million in the last quarter of 1977, with all areas, except the European Economic Community, accounting for the decline.

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Led by a sizable drop in wheat, declines occurred in shipments of forestry products, industrial machinery and passenger cars. Exports of metallic ores, non-ferrous metals and non-automotive equipment increased in the months of October-December.

Although fluctuating considerably during the year, Canadian exports to overseas countries increased \$883 million (7.1%) to \$13,233 million in 1977. Gains of roughly \$150 million each were recorded in exports of fish; oilseeds; metallic ores and non-ferrous metals; and automotive goods. Shipments of wheat, coal, asbestos, lumber, newsprint, chemicals and machinery advanced more moderately. Exports of other cereals, primarily barley, dropped by nearly \$270 million from 1976. The lack of barley shipments to the U.S.S.R. accounted for approximately \$100 million of the fall; and exports were also lower to West Germany, Poland, Israel and Japan. Shipments of pulp, petroleum products, steel and non-automotive equipment declined more modestly.

Imports (Customs Basis)

United States

Seasonally-adjusted imports from the U.S. advanced 11.5% to \$2,607 million in December, exceeding the monthly rate of \$2.6 billion for the first time. Except for a 6% decline in automotive components, imports of other commodities increased, including food, industrial materials, machinery, motor vehicles, other equipment and consumer goods.

At \$7,473 million, fourth-quarter imports stood fractionally above the total for the months of July-September. Seasonally-adjusted imports of automotive parts increased 10%; and imports of some fabricated materials and machinery were also higher. Imports of meat, coal, motor vehicles and other transportation equipment dropped in the last quarter.

In spite of the slowdown since the second quarter, imports from the U.S. rose 14.7% to \$29,543 million in 1977, following an increase of nearly 9% in 1976. The share of imports coming from the U.S. grew from 68.7% to 70.2% in 1977. About half of the growth, or some \$1,900 million, was accounted for by automotive products, which totalled \$10,450 million in 1977. Nearly two-thirds of the automotive rise was on account of parts and components. Imports of fabricated materials rose over \$500 million, of which some \$240 million was ascribable to chemicals. Machinery imports expanded \$211 million to \$3,940 million. Imports of other equipment advanced \$573 million (15%) to \$4,351 million. Included in the over-all import rise was some \$265 million worth of crude oil brought in under a swap arrangement with the U.S. There were also smaller but still substantial increases in imports of food, coal and consumer goods, but imports of meat, forestry products and apparel declined moderately.

Trade in Automotive Products

The significant contribution of automotive products to changes in export and import totals has been referred to before. On account also of the growing share of trade represented by these goods, some key preliminary figures of the Canada-United States trade in motor vehicles and parts are summarized below, based on all-Canadian data. (The officially recognized measure of Canada-United States automotive trade, which employs the import statistics of the two countries, will be released at a later date).

Trade in Automotive Products

	1976		
	Exports	Imports (\$ millions)	Balance
Passenger cars	3,416	2,321	1,095
Trucks, etc.	1,355	1,076	279
Automotive parts	2,801	5,151	-2,350
Total	7,572	8,548	-976

	1977		
	Exports	Imports (\$ millions)	Balance
Passenger cars	3,948	2,825	1,123
Trucks, etc.	2,001	1,217	784
Automotive parts	3,447	6,408	-2,961
Total	9,396	10,450	-1,054

It is expected that the more comprehensive series to be released later will be broadly comparable with the above figures.

Overseas Countries

Imports from overseas countries reversed the declining trend of the preceding three months to reach a seasonally-adjusted total of \$1,229 million in December. Most of the rise occurred in imports from countries other than Japan and members of the E.E.C. Larger landings of crude oil accounted for about half of the over-all rise, and the rest of the increase was due to fabricated materials, automotive goods, other equipment, apparel and other consumer goods.

Seasonally-adjusted imports rose 2.3% to \$3,261 million in the December quarter, following a slightly larger increase in the preceding period. A decline in imports from the E.E.C. was outweighed by increases originating in Japan and other countries. Advances were recorded in imports of crude oil, steel materials, motor vehicles and parts. Among other reductions, imports of textiles, non-automotive equipment, apparel and other consumer goods fell below the September quarter.

Rising steadily during 1977, Canadian imports from overseas countries increased 6.6% to \$12,510 million from \$11,732 million in 1976. The rise was 5.9% in 1976. Imports from the E.E.C., Japan, the other O.E.C.D. countries and Central and South America expanded between 2% and 20% in 1977, but imports from the remaining countries fell by 10.5%. There were widespread increases including arrivals of fruits and vegetables, coffee, tea and cocoa, chemicals, steel, machinery, motor vehicles and other transportation equipment and consumer goods. Crude oil landings fell \$315 million (10%) to some \$2,950 million. Fairly substantial declines in imports of crude oil from many of the traditional sources in Africa and the Middle East were partly offset by increases from Saudi Arabia, the U.S.S.R., Venezuela, Ecuador and Caribbean islands. Imports of meat, sugar, non-ferrous metals, hardware, apparel and some equipment and tools were also lower than in 1976.

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Price and Volume Changes

Average export and import prices, which had declined slightly in the final quarter of 1976, turned up sharply in early 1977 as the Canadian dollar began to depreciate against the currencies of important trading partners (during the course of 1977, the value of the Canadian dollar in terms of the U.S. dollar fell about 8%). As the rate of increase was higher for import than export prices, Canada's terms of trade (i.e. the ratio of export to import prices) deteriorated during the year.

With a rise over 1976 of about 6% in average export prices (on the basis of partial data), the gain in real exports in 1977 is estimated to have been close to 9%. As import prices increased some 11%, the rise in the volume of imports appears to have been less than 1%.

For further information on area and commodity trade, order the December issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

(see tables on pages 6-11)

The Construction Industry, 1976 — Advance Information

Preliminary information on the large firm segment of the special trades contracting industry is available free of charge in bulletin form. Included are a series of financial and operational ratios covering contractors specializing in some 29 sub-industry groups such as plumbing, electrical, painting and decorating, glass and glazing, carpentry, masonry, etc. Total 1976 operating revenue amounted to \$3.6 billion and the sample included some 2,542 establishments. For further information, contact R. Dubeau (613-994-9756), Census Section, Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Federal Government Enterprise Finance, 1976 — Advance Information

Federal government enterprises had income of \$7,978.8 million during the fiscal year(s) ended nearest to December 31, 1976. Expenditure for the corresponding period amounted to \$7,758.6 million. On a financial management basis this resulted in a net profit of \$179.7 million after provision for income tax. For further information, contact Mr. G.M. McIlveen (613-995-0669), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Fish Freezings and Stocks, November 1977 — Advance Information

Advance data from the *Fish Freezings and Stocks* report for the month of November is now available.

For further information, order the November issue of *Fish Freezings and Stocks* (24-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. C. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Key Economic Series, February 1978

During the coming month, the release of key economic series data is expected to be in accordance with the schedule outlined below. Where a range of dates is given for a series, this represents the period within which publication of the data can be reasonably expected, the variability taking account of circumstances peculiar to each series. Any range may be exceeded on rare occasions, for reasons unpredictable at this time.

February 3 to February 15: Industry Selling Price Index, month of December;

February 7: Labour Force Survey, month of January;

February 8 to February 20: General Wholesale Price Index, month of December;

February 13 to February 15: Retail Trade, month of December;

February 14: Consumer Price Index (National), month of January;

February 14 to February 20: Index of Industrial Production, month of December;

February 14 to February 20: Industrial Corporations' (Preliminary) Financial Statistics, months of October-December;

February 15 to February 17: Wholesale Trade, month of December;

February 16 to February 20: Consumer Credit, month of December;

February 20 to February 28: Employment, Earnings and Hours, month of December;

February 21: Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, month of January;

February 21 to February 24: Real Domestic Product, month of December;

February 22 to February 28: Unemployment Insurance Statistics, month of December;

February 23 to February 27: Inventories, Shipments and Orders, month of December;

February 24: Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, month of January;

February 24: Private and Public Investment in Canada — Outlook 1978.

For any enquiry concerning the release of these series, please contact Mr. Jack Kerr (613-992-1548), Production Planning and Scheduling Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Table 1

Imports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1976							
Third Quarter	9,371.7	7,017.3	6,457.3	264.9	2,649.5	503.9	394.5
Fourth Quarter	9,393.3	7,082.6	6,473.7	304.0	2,615.6	534.7	406.4
1977							
First Quarter	10,196.7	7,431.4	7,143.3	307.3	2,746.1	565.6	428.3
Second Quarter	10,671.6	7,729.5	7,589.0	323.7	2,758.9	598.7	440.1
Third Quarter	10,615.1	7,894.6	7,426.6	326.3	2,862.2	621.0	458.8
Fourth Quarter	10,734.4	7,813.3	7,472.9	328.4	2,933.1	572.8	484.6
1977							
July	3,516.6	2,506.9	2,577.0	99.2	840.4	183.9	134.3
August	3,574.1	2,748.6	2,417.2	123.2	1,033.7	226.0	172.5
September	3,524.5	2,639.1	2,432.4	104.0	988.1	211.1	152.0
October	3,607.2	2,643.2	2,528.1	109.2	969.9	180.7	170.7
November	3,291.4	2,336.0	2,337.5	107.9	846.0	185.0	139.8
December	3,835.9	2,834.1	2,607.4	111.3	1,117.2	207.1	174.1
Percent changes							
December/November	16.5	21.3	11.5	3.1	32.0	11.9	24.5
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	1.1	-1.0	0.6	0.6	2.4	-7.7	5.6
Dec. 77/Dec. 76	17.3	19.0	12.6	17.1	29.8	21.5	27.0

Table 2

Imports by Principal Trading Areas

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Oct. 1977	Dec. 1976	Nov. 1976	Oct. 1976	Dec.	Nov.	Oct.
	(\$ millions)								
United States	2,368.6	2,636.7	2,679.3	2,189.7	2,443.1	2,058.1	8.1	7.9	30.1
United Kingdom	98.8	104.3	108.7	83.7	114.1	96.2	18.0	-8.6	12.9
Other E.E.C.	194.8	188.3	189.9	161.6	188.3	192.4	20.5	0.0	-1.3
Japan	160.6	164.6	174.6	132.2	159.5	137.6	21.4	3.1	26.8
Other O.E.C.D.	139.0	88.7	102.5	121.8	105.3	100.9	14.1	-15.7	1.5
Other America	174.1	205.5	195.0	139.0	167.6	182.7	25.2	22.6	6.7
Other Countries	343.0	211.7	259.4	244.0	306.5	224.9	40.6	-30.9	15.3
All Countries	3,478.9	3,599.8	3,709.4	3,072.0	3,484.4	2,992.8	13.2	3.3	23.9
	Year-to-Date						Dec.-Dec. Percent Changes		
	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Dec. 1976	Nov. 1976	Dec. 1975	Nov. 1975	77/76	76/75	
United States	29,542.8	27,174.3	25,736.6	23,547.0	23,616.3	21,679.0	14.7	8.9	
United Kingdom	1,281.0	1,182.3	1,152.4	1,068.7	1,221.9	1,135.7	11.1	-5.6	
Other E.E.C.	2,349.5	2,154.8	2,028.1	1,866.5	2,073.9	1,903.4	15.8	-2.2	
Japan	1,799.5	1,638.9	1,525.4	1,393.3	1,205.3	1,126.1	17.9	26.5	
Other O.E.C.D.	1,255.4	1,116.4	1,230.4	1,108.7	1,194.4	1,108.1	2.0	3.0	
Other America	2,473.5	2,299.4	2,055.6	1,916.6	1,802.2	1,650.8	20.3	14.0	
Other Countries	3,351.4	3,008.4	3,740.5	3,496.6	3,576.7	3,251.4	-10.3	4.5	
All Countries	42,053.1	38,574.5	37,469.0	34,397.4	34,690.7	31,854.5	12.2	8.0	

Table 3
Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Oct. 1977	Dec. 1976	Nov. 1976	Oct. 1976	Dec.	Nov.	Oct.
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	3.3	4.9	4.2	4.4	8.7	10.6	-25.8	-43.5	-59.8
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	284.0	270.1	295.9	246.2	262.1	259.8	15.3	3.0	13.8
Meat and fish	46.0	44.8	53.1	48.2	54.2	43.8	-4.6	-17.3	21.1
Fruits and vegetables	91.6	80.6	97.9	77.6	77.9	86.3	18.1	3.5	13.5
Raw sugar	29.1	18.5	15.9	23.1	13.2	29.4	26.0	40.6	-45.8
Crude Materials, Inedible	459.3	373.4	452.1	339.8	427.0	344.8	35.1	-12.5	31.1
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	46.9	39.1	54.5	47.8	30.8	36.6	-2.0	26.9	49.0
Coal	38.9	56.9	91.7	42.2	64.8	56.6	-7.6	-12.1	61.9
Crude petroleum	304.4	213.5	233.1	173.6	261.6	190.4	75.3	-18.3	22.4
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	579.4	607.0	618.4	491.8	573.1	501.9	17.8	5.9	23.2
Wood and paper	51.5	57.7	59.0	48.5	56.2	55.6	6.2	2.7	6.0
Textiles	71.3	71.1	77.4	64.5	75.3	67.2	10.5	-5.5	15.1
Chemicals	154.0	168.2	165.7	133.2	148.2	134.9	15.5	13.4	22.8
Iron and steel	82.4	82.8	79.5	59.1	83.5	58.1	39.4	-0.8	36.9
<i>Bars and rods, steel</i>	10.8	9.9	7.7	7.9	13.2	7.7	35.7	-25.0	-0.1
<i>Plate, sheet and strip, steel</i>	27.6	27.5	24.4	15.3	21.4	16.9	80.5	28.6	44.1
Non-ferrous metals	57.7	55.6	53.2	49.8	49.2	37.7	15.8	13.0	40.9
End Products, Inedible	2,079.4	2,308.3	2,306.7	1,952.5	2,170.0	1,831.9	6.5	6.3	25.9
General purpose machinery	117.5	125.7	124.4	101.6	131.8	104.1	15.6	-4.6	19.5
Special industry machinery	151.4	155.9	175.8	148.0	165.3	145.5	2.3	-5.6	20.8
<i>Machine tools, metalworking</i>	12.2	13.6	15.1	12.9	16.7	11.4	-5.8	-18.7	31.7
Agricultural machinery and tractors	95.3	91.1	99.3	101.3	110.3	97.4	-5.9	-17.4	1.9
Transportation equipment	995.5	1,221.3	1,138.1	946.4	1,016.7	762.5	5.1	20.1	49.2
<i>Sedans, new</i>	247.7	276.6	319.3	235.8	290.0	212.0	5.0	-4.6	50.5
<i>Other passenger automobiles and chassis</i>	26.6	32.3	37.1	28.8	40.6	28.7	-7.4	-20.5	29.4
<i>Trucks, truck tractors and chassis</i>	73.6	86.9	86.8	72.6	73.9	49.4	1.4	17.6	75.6
<i>Other motor vehicles</i>	30.2	25.9	25.9	25.3	30.0	45.3	19.1	-13.4	-42.7
<i>Motor vehicle engines</i>	45.5	60.2	49.8	35.8	48.2	32.9	26.9	24.8	51.2
<i>Motor vehicle engine parts</i>	59.0	73.4	62.1	50.0	52.3	28.7	18.1	40.4	116.4
<i>Motor vehicle parts, except engines</i>	426.1	585.3	469.9	408.8	408.8	298.2	4.2	43.1	57.5
<i>Aircraft, complete with engines</i>	10.3	5.6	6.7	17.0	5.3	7.9	-39.7	5.9	-14.5
Other equipment and tools	392.5	396.9	409.4	355.6	402.7	396.3	10.3	-1.4	3.3
<i>Electronic computers</i>	54.1	45.7	45.1	39.3	42.0	36.2	37.8	8.8	24.6
Special Transactions, Trade	73.4	36.0	31.9	37.1	43.6	43.9	97.8	-17.2	-27.3
Total	3,478.9	3,599.8	3,709.4	3,072.0	3,484.4	2,992.8	13.2	3.3	23.9

Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables, November 1977 — Advance Information

Advance information on canned and frozen fruits and vegetables for the month of November is now available.

For further information, order the November issue of *Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables* (32-011, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. C.A. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Sales of Cement, December 1977 — Advance Information

Advance information on sales of cement as reported by Canadian producers for the month of December is now available.

For details, contact Gordon McWade (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Table 3 (Continued)

Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

			Year-to-Date				Dec.-Dec. Percent Changes	
	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Dec. 1976	Nov. 1976	Dec. 1975	Nov. 1975	77/76	76/75
	(\$ millions)							
Live Animals	52.2	48.9	108.6	104.2	75.3	71.1	-51.9	44.3
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	3,250.3	2,966.3	2,762.7	2,516.5	2,606.7	2,406.0	17.6	5.9
Meat and fish	533.2	487.3	545.7	497.5	337.7	306.1	-2.2	61.6
Fruits and vegetables	1,038.2	946.5	861.1	783.5	773.5	711.3	20.5	11.3
Raw sugar	217.1	188.0	249.3	226.2	459.2	434.8	-12.9	-45.7
Crude Materials, Inedible	5,268.4	4,809.1	5,085.1	4,745.3	5,085.6	4,619.5	3.6	-0.0
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	518.0	471.1	424.5	376.6	468.4	437.6	22.0	-9.3
Coal	616.4	577.4	544.3	502.2	576.3	515.2	13.2	-5.5
Crude petroleum	3,222.7	2,918.3	3,273.9	3,100.3	3,301.9	2,993.9	-1.5	-0.8
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	7,021.2	6,441.8	6,218.7	5,726.9	5,944.2	5,461.0	12.9	4.6
Wood and paper	684.9	633.5	736.5	688.0	644.6	571.2	-6.9	14.2
Textiles	888.8	817.5	840.6	776.1	740.4	680.4	5.7	13.5
Chemicals	2,007.7	1,853.8	1,681.7	1,548.5	1,475.7	1,349.3	19.3	13.9
Iron and steel	864.7	782.2	723.1	664.0	936.8	878.8	19.5	-22.8
Bars and rods, steel	104.5	93.8	93.4	85.5	136.1	126.5	11.8	-31.3
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	268.0	240.4	205.8	190.5	276.9	258.3	30.2	-25.6
Non-ferrous metals	530.8	473.0	493.4	443.6	426.6	384.0	7.5	15.6
End Products, Inedible	26,005.1	23,925.8	22,789.4	20,836.9	20,654.3	18,998.6	14.1	10.3
General purpose machinery	1,421.2	1,303.7	1,313.8	1,212.2	1,347.7	1,246.1	8.1	-2.5
Special industry machinery	2,057.3	1,905.9	1,907.2	1,759.2	1,860.2	1,724.2	7.8	2.5
Machine tools, metalworking	169.5	157.3	145.6	132.7	172.2	159.3	16.4	-15.4
Agricultural machinery and tractors	1,334.3	1,239.0	1,318.7	1,217.4	1,220.3	1,124.1	1.1	8.0
Transportation equipment	12,416.1	11,420.6	10,304.2	9,357.8	9,548.8	8,744.1	20.5	7.9
Sedans, new	2,981.4	2,733.7	2,444.3	2,208.5	2,290.0	2,064.0	21.9	6.7
Other passenger automobiles and chassis	370.9	344.2	359.2	330.4	259.4	235.3	3.2	38.4
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	1,010.7	937.0	839.7	767.1	809.9	740.2	20.3	3.6
Other motor vehicles	342.0	311.8	336.5	311.2	324.2	303.5	1.6	3.8
Motor vehicle engines	545.4	499.9	507.9	472.1	437.3	392.2	7.3	16.1
Motor vehicle engines parts	690.7	631.7	460.9	410.9	390.7	363.2	49.8	17.9
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	5,379.4	4,953.3	4,387.8	3,979.0	3,700.0	3,388.2	22.6	18.5
Aircraft, complete with engines	89.3	79.0	110.8	93.8	290.9	279.1	-19.4	-61.8
Other equipment and tools	4,649.5	4,257.0	4,193.9	3,838.3	3,529.9	3,248.8	10.8	18.8
Electronic computers	552.3	498.2	428.4	389.1	343.3	310.2	28.9	24.7
Special Transactions, Trade	456.1	382.7	504.7	467.6	324.7	298.3	-9.6	55.4
Total	42,053.1	38,574.5	37,469.0	34,397.4	34,690.7	31,854.5	12.2	8.0

Table 4
Total Exports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs Basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	Total excluding cars and wheat	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1976								
Third Quarter	9,889.6	7,805.2	7,374.8	6,670.1	495.0	2,724.5	703.3	564.4
Fourth Quarter	9,537.7	7,543.3	7,242.0	6,465.1	455.2	2,617.4	719.8	614.8
1977								
First Quarter	10,912.7	8,349.0	7,847.1	7,351.7	480.5	3,080.5	726.5	664.4
Second Quarter	10,795.4	8,274.8	7,835.5	7,590.9	484.6	2,719.9	687.9	658.6
Third Quarter	11,187.8	8,788.0	8,302.6	7,778.7	496.6	2,912.5	674.3	645.3
Fourth Quarter	11,556.2	8,851.4	8,397.0	8,238.5	495.2	2,822.5	755.0	609.7
1977								
July	3,806.3	2,878.0	2,675.5	2,715.7	158.3	932.3	228.4	200.0
August	3,842.6	3,143.5	2,997.3	2,526.4	191.7	1,124.5	255.5	241.2
September	3,538.9	2,766.5	2,629.9	2,536.6	146.6	855.7	190.4	204.0
October	3,971.5	3,042.4	2,877.3	2,716.7	163.9	1,090.9	255.5	249.2
November	3,335.1	2,522.3	2,421.9	2,528.4	128.5	678.2	212.8	158.2
December	4,249.5	3,286.6	3,097.8	2,993.4	202.8	1,053.3	286.6	202.3
Percent changes								
December/November	27.4	30.3	27.9	18.3	57.7	55.3	34.6	27.8
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	3.2	0.7	1.1	5.9	-0.2	-3.0	11.9	-5.5
Dec. 77/Dec. 76	28.4	30.4	27.0	28.4	43.1	26.0	42.9	0.5

Table 5
Total Exports by Principal Trading Areas

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Oct. 1977	Dec. 1976	Nov. 1976	Oct. 1976	Dec.	Nov.	Oct.
	(\$ millions)								
United States	2,854.5	2,747.9	2,870.4	2,283.7	2,260.9	2,123.3	25.0	21.5	35.1
United Kingdom	200.0	120.6	171.6	144.9	161.1	161.1	38.0	-25.1	6.5
Other E.E.C.	280.4	205.8	254.0	215.6	299.1	252.0	30.0	-31.1	0.8
Japan	173.9	156.7	230.9	195.9	191.3	213.0	-11.2	-18.0	8.4
Other O.E.C.D.	113.5	67.2	94.1	83.4	112.3	70.8	35.9	-40.1	32.9
Other America	149.4	118.5	174.0	128.0	141.0	174.0	16.7	-15.9	-0.0
Other Countries	284.6	201.0	254.6	245.4	216.9	202.0	15.9	-7.3	26.0
All Countries	4,056.3	3,617.7	4,049.6	3,296.9	3,382.6	3,196.2	23.0	6.9	26.7
	Year-to-Date						Dec.-Dec. Percent Changes		
	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Dec. 1976	Nov. 1976	Dec. 1975	Nov. 1975	77/76	76/75	
United States	30,889.6	28,035.1	25,795.9	23,512.2	21,697.1	19,789.1	19.7	18.8	
United Kingdom	1,944.8	1,744.8	1,867.7	1,722.8	1,800.4	1,647.8	4.1	3.7	
Other E.E.C.	2,766.2	2,485.9	2,664.5	2,448.9	2,358.2	2,135.4	3.8	12.9	
Japan	2,506.0	2,332.1	2,389.3	2,193.4	2,133.5	1,935.6	4.8	11.9	
Other O.E.C.D.	1,213.2	1,099.8	1,063.8	980.4	917.5	841.3	14.0	15.9	
Other America	1,862.9	1,713.5	1,765.9	1,637.9	1,597.3	1,475.0	5.4	10.5	
Other Countries	2,950.3	2,665.7	2,599.3	2,353.8	2,741.4	2,461.4	13.5	-5.1	
All Countries	44,133.0	40,076.9	38,146.4	34,849.4	33,245.4	30,285.6	15.6	14.7	

Table 6

Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Oct. 1977	Dec. 1976	Nov. 1976	Oct. 1976	Dec.	Nov.	Oct.
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	18.1	17.8	19.1	13.4	13.7	13.6	34.6	30.1	39.8
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	458.6	328.3	387.3	351.1	332.7	383.9	30.6	-1.3	0.8
Meat and fish	93.0	65.5	90.6	53.4	55.6	70.7	74.2	17.8	28.1
Cereals and preparations	268.5	177.5	192.3	212.5	189.8	227.2	26.3	-6.4	-15.3
Wheat	192.3	126.7	144.3	124.0	108.9	125.4	55.0	16.3	15.0
Crude Materials, Inedible	801.9	698.9	754.1	692.1	727.5	679.6	15.8	-3.9	10.9
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	232.1	186.3	267.6	183.8	222.1	231.3	26.2	-16.1	15.6
Crude petroleum	154.4	140.2	151.1	166.5	168.7	171.7	-7.2	-16.9	-12.0
Natural gas	205.8	200.8	158.3	147.0	153.5	132.8	40.0	30.8	19.1
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	1,349.8	1,177.0	1,377.3	995.9	1,090.1	1,068.7	35.5	7.9	28.8
Wood and paper	686.3	594.0	741.5	541.1	611.3	561.4	26.8	-2.8	32.0
Lumber, softwood	194.1	168.4	225.3	144.7	160.3	146.1	34.1	5.0	54.2
Wood pulp and similar pulp	169.6	150.2	195.8	171.9	186.0	178.6	-1.3	-19.2	9.6
Newsprint paper	225.5	207.9	244.1	177.3	195.9	181.2	27.2	6.1	34.7
Textiles	9.7	8.1	9.9	8.5	10.3	7.9	13.8	-21.4	25.7
Chemicals	147.8	149.6	154.9	107.8	112.5	131.1	37.1	33.0	18.1
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	44.6	49.8	47.6	39.7	39.7	55.8	12.2	25.3	-14.6
Petroleum and coal products	64.1	47.5	54.1	45.3	43.9	40.3	41.6	8.2	34.3
Iron and steel	97.1	89.8	93.4	58.6	67.3	75.6	65.5	33.4	23.5
Non-ferrous metals	227.3	190.3	227.6	169.8	179.8	190.2	33.9	5.7	19.6
Copper and alloys	42.4	33.5	58.1	39.3	41.3	48.7	7.8	-19.0	19.3
Nickel and alloys	54.4	45.1	27.7	45.0	43.0	45.1	20.8	5.0	-38.5
End Products, Inedible	1,343.0	1,334.3	1,411.8	1,159.3	1,134.6	965.3	15.8	17.6	46.2
Industrial machinery	109.2	75.8	104.3	91.0	78.3	76.2	20.0	-3.2	36.7
Agricultural machinery and tractors	41.3	34.5	54.1	49.6	36.9	35.5	-16.6	-6.5	52.5
Transportation equipment	953.6	1,045.3	1,044.5	829.7	834.3	685.0	14.9	25.2	52.4
Passenger automobiles and chassis	358.1	396.0	342.6	336.1	325.0	247.7	6.5	21.8	38.2
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	181.8	241.1	244.9	135.0	129.9	105.2	34.7	85.6	132.8
Other motor vehicles	25.3	23.5	14.6	11.8	20.0	13.4	114.7	17.7	9.4
Motor vehicle engines and parts	71.4	87.8	86.3	86.2	84.2	60.2	-17.1	4.2	43.5
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	240.1	240.1	267.1	190.4	203.0	178.4	26.0	18.2	49.6
Other equipment and tools	98.5	78.1	88.5	85.3	82.2	73.3	15.5	-4.9	20.8
Special transactions, Trade	12.5	3.3	9.3	4.8	6.8	9.7	162.4	-51.2	-3.3
Total	3,983.8	3,559.7	3,959.0	3,216.5	3,305.6	3,120.8	23.8	7.6	26.8

Table 6 (Continued)

Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Year-to-Date		Year-to-Date		Year-to-Date		Dec.-Dec. Percent Changes	
	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Dec. 1976	Nov. 1976	Dec. 1975	Nov. 1975	77/76	76/75
	(\$ millions)							
Live Animals	151.3	133.2	134.0	120.6	83.3	67.5	12.9	60.8
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	4,392.1	3,933.5	4,114.6	3,763.5	4,028.7	3,617.2	6.7	2.1
Meat and fish	908.4	815.4	718.6	665.2	578.7	532.7	26.4	24.1
Cereals and preparations	2,422.8	2,154.3	2,571.5	2,359.0	2,707.8	2,416.0	-5.7	-5.0
Wheat	1,826.1	1,633.9	1,707.8	1,583.8	2,001.2	1,789.0	6.9	-14.6
Crude Materials, Inedible	8,837.5	8,035.6	8,262.3	7,570.2	7,956.5	7,166.1	6.9	3.8
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	2,722.0	2,489.9	2,500.7	2,316.9	2,233.1	2,013.6	8.8	11.9
Crude petroleum	1,750.6	1,596.3	2,286.7	2,120.2	3,051.5	2,781.2	-23.4	-25.0
Natural gas	2,028.9	1,823.1	1,616.5	1,469.5	1,092.2	959.7	25.5	48.0
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	14,909.8	13,560.0	12,148.9	11,153.0	9,861.7	9,122.4	22.7	23.1
Wood and paper	7,748.6	7,062.3	6,425.1	5,884.0	5,018.6	4,677.7	20.6	28.0
Lumber, softwood	2,337.9	2,143.8	1,610.0	1,465.3	948.7	870.2	45.2	69.7
Woodpulp and similar pulp	2,155.5	1,985.9	2,177.0	2,005.0	1,830.5	1,684.8	-0.9	18.9
Newsprint paper	2,381.4	2,155.9	1,998.3	1,821.0	1,744.0	1,659.8	19.1	14.5
Textiles	110.8	101.1	99.9	91.4	100.0	92.9	10.9	-0.1
Chemicals	1,738.0	1,590.1	1,366.2	1,258.4	1,024.6	933.8	27.2	33.3
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	660.0	615.5	547.2	507.5	456.4	418.8	20.6	19.9
Petroleum and coal products	649.3	585.2	558.8	513.5	638.5	584.5	16.2	-12.4
Iron and steel	1,044.3	947.2	837.0	778.4	749.3	694.3	24.7	11.7
Non-ferrous metals	2,485.8	2,258.5	2,143.9	1,974.1	1,720.5	1,574.5	15.9	24.6
Copper and alloys	521.5	479.1	522.6	483.3	475.6	436.8	-0.1	9.8
Nickel and alloys	436.8	382.3	443.6	398.6	416.6	392.8	-1.5	6.4
End Products, Inedible	14,903.4	13,560.4	12,539.2	11,380.0	10,457.2	9,519.4	18.8	19.9
Industrial machinery	1,162.4	1,053.2	883.1	792.2	927.5	853.7	31.6	-4.7
Agricultural machinery and tractors	559.7	518.4	539.1	489.6	542.1	498.3	3.8	-0.5
Transportation equipment	11,019.0	10,065.4	9,096.6	8,266.9	7,256.9	6,579.9	21.1	25.3
Passenger automobiles and chassis	4,267.9	3,909.8	3,637.8	3,301.7	3,068.8	2,800.3	17.3	18.5
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	2,053.8	1,872.0	1,403.6	1,268.6	1,080.3	978.4	46.3	29.9
Other motor vehicles	194.5	169.2	160.5	148.8	144.3	135.0	21.1	11.2
Motor vehicle engines and parts	950.2	878.8	776.6	690.4	519.2	475.9	22.3	49.5
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	2,667.4	2,427.4	2,189.2	1,998.8	1,618.4	1,483.8	21.8	35.2
Other equipment and tools	930.9	832.4	832.1	746.9	744.1	679.5	11.8	11.8
Special Transactions, Trade	76.2	63.7	129.6	124.8	78.7	69.9	-41.2	64.5
Total	43,270.3	39,286.5	37,328.5	34,112.1	32,466.1	29,562.6	15.9	14.9

New Housing Price Indexes

September 1977 — December 1977 — Advance Information

	December 1977	November 1977	October 1977	September 1977	% Change December/77 December/76
1971=100					
Montreal	213.7	212.4	212.4	212.0	3.7
Winnipeg	213.9	213.8	213.8	213.3	2.7
Calgary	261.9	258.1	258.1	258.1	3.4
(Jan. 1975=100)					
Kitchener	106.2	106.2	106.2	106.2	0.9
London	117.1	117.1	117.1	117.1	5.4
Saskatoon	146.1	146.0	146.0	145.6	5.0

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(1971=100)

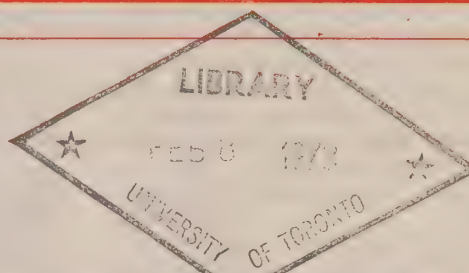
	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Dec. 1976	% Change	
				Dec./77 Nov./77	Dec./77 Dec./76
Canada, Total	180.7	180.1	166.8	0.3	8.3
Materials	170.2	169.6	156.9	0.4	8.5
Labour	199.3	198.9	184.6	0.2	8.0
Atlantic Provinces, Total	190.0	190.0	177.2	—	7.2
Materials	171.9	172.1	159.9	-0.1	7.5
Labour	221.2	221.1	207.0	0.1	6.9
Quebec, Total	182.3	182.6	167.4	-0.1	8.9
Materials	174.7	175.0	161.5	-0.2	8.2
Labour	196.8	196.8	178.5	—	10.3
Ontario, Total	175.8	175.3	162.6	0.3	8.1
Materials	167.1	166.3	153.6	0.5	8.8
Labour	190.7	190.7	177.8	—	7.3
Prairie Provinces, Total	189.8	188.6	175.2	0.7	8.3
Materials	173.2	171.3	158.5	1.1	9.3
Labour	222.1	222.1	207.8	—	6.9
British Columbia, Total	179.2	177.7	165.5	0.9	8.3
Materials	169.1	168.6	157.2	0.3	7.6
Labour	197.2	193.7	180.3	1.8	9.4

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Unemployment Insurance Statistics

	Nov. 1977	Oct. 1977	Nov. 1976	% Change From	
				Oct. 1977	Nov. 1976
Benefits					
Gross amount (\$000)	316,721	269,262	261,116	18	21
Net amount (1) (\$000)	314,249	266,968	259,450	18	21
Weeks of benefit (000)	3,063	2,641	2,735	16	12
Average weekly benefit (\$)	103.40	101.94	95.47	1	8
Claims received (000)	318	242	292	31	9
Beneficiaries (000)	689p	622p	616	11	12

	1977	To Date	1976	% Change From 11 Months 1977/1976
Benefits				
Gross amount (\$000)	3,589,605		3,089,387	16
Net amount (1) (\$000)	3,567,236		3,071,399	16
Weeks of benefit (000)	35,684		33,403	7
Average weekly benefit (\$)	100.59		92.49	9
Claims received (000)	2,489		2,374	5
Beneficiaries(2) (000)	741p		699	6

(1) After cancellation of warrants and collection of overpayments.

(2) Monthly average

p Preliminary figures

For further information order the November 1977 issue of *Preliminary Unemployment Insurance Statistics* (73-001-p) or *Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act* (73-001, Quarterly, \$1.05/\$4.20) or contact George Fincham (613-992-7461) Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Preliminary Report on Unemployment Insurance Statistics, November 1977 — Advance Information

The number of persons receiving unemployment insurance benefit for the week ending November 12 rose to 689,000*, up 11% from the previous month and up 12% from November 1976. Thirty-seven percent of the beneficiaries were under 25 years of age, the same proportion as a year earlier.

In November, some \$314 million* was paid in unemployment insurance net benefit, an increase of 18% from October and up 21% from November 1976. Net benefit for the first 11 months reached \$3,567 million, 16% more than in the same period in 1976. A 9% advance in the average weekly benefit together with a 7% rise in the number of weeks of benefit paid to claimants accounted for the increased amount.

Persons seeking benefit filed 318,000 claims in November, 31% more than in October (the percentage rise between October and November 1976 was only

slightly lower). Compared with November 1976, a 9% increase was recorded. The claim load for the first 11 months of 1977 at 2,489,000 was 5% greater than in the January-November period of 1976.

* The count of beneficiaries cannot be related to the benefit payments made during a month. Whereas the latter figure covers all benefit payments made during the month, the count of beneficiaries represents the number of persons receiving benefit for a specific week each month.

Foreign Long-term Investment in Canada, 1975 — Advance Information

The book value of foreign long-term investment in Canada amounted to \$68,649 million at the end of 1975, an annual advance of 14% in this accumulated stock of long-term capital owned by non-residents, compared to increases of about 10% in 1974 and 1973. United States investors, both corporate and individual, owned the largest portion with 77%. Residents in the United Kingdom and all other countries owned 8% and 15%, respectively, of this stock of capital at 1975 year-end.

Direct investment, representing basically foreign capital (both long-term debt and equity) in Canadian enterprises attributable to the country of control, grew by 10% to \$39,838 million. Direct investment continued to be the largest single component comprising 58%, down from 60% at 1974 year-end.

During 1975 portfolio transactions in Canadian securities gave rise to record net capital inflows of \$4.5 billion in the balance of payments to eclipse the previous record inflow in 1974 by a sizeable margin. Foreign investment in government bonds increased by 31% to reach \$15,109 million at the end of 1975 with provincial governments and their agencies being the most active borrowers, accounting for \$12,368 million, up almost \$3 billion from the previous year. The spate of new issues abroad was spurred by substantial capital requirements by provincial utilities to finance large-scale developments as well as a lower rate of interest abroad. Foreign placements of bonds by municipal governments were also quite large, increasing by 32% to a level of \$2,095 million at the end of the year. Over 68% of the net growth in government bonds sold abroad was absorbed by U.S. investors while 30% was provided by investors in overseas countries other than the U.K.

Foreign investment in Canadian corporate portfolio investment rose by 10%, the same rate as direct investment, to \$10,149 million at 1975 year-end. Miscellaneous investment — comprising such things as foreign investment in real estate, mortgages, private investment companies and assets administered for non-residents — increased marginally to \$3,553 million.

Foreign long-term investment owned in the U.S. grew by 13% to \$52,935 million at the end of 1975. Direct investment, the largest component, rose by 11% to \$32,194 million while holdings of government bonds advanced by 28% to \$11,078 million. Of these claims by U.S. investors, the capital stock of Canadian companies at \$26,195 million comprised 49% while bonds and debentures, both government and corporate, represented 32%.

Long-term investment owned by investors in the U.K. rose by 6%, the same rate as in 1974, to \$5,675 million in 1975. There was a sizeable gain of 19% in government bonds held while direct investment grew more moderately by 5% to \$3,717 million. A breakdown of these liabilities to the U.K. by type of claim shows that about 60%, or \$3,429 million, was in the capital stock of Canadian companies while only 15% was invested in bonds and debentures.

Investment owned in all other countries increased by 23% to \$10,039 million as investment in government bonds and other portfolio investment jumped by 42% and 38% in the year to \$3,590 million and \$1,567 million, respectively. A large number of new Canadian issues were sold in the Eurobond market in 1975, particularly in the latter part of the year. A number of factors such as the temporary removal of the 15% withholding tax on interest payments by corporations to non-residents on certain types of new issues, the high credit rating of the borrowers, and the high coupon rates offered, made such issues highly marketable. Also Eurodollar rates in general were lower than Canadian bond yields and the registration requirements less costly to fulfil than those faced by borrowers in the U.S. By type of claim, investment in bonds and debentures at \$4,369 million comprised 44% of the total investment from this group of countries while investment in the capital stock of Canadian companies at \$3,563 million represented 35%.

Long-term investment in manufacturing grew by 10% to \$18,397 million at the end of 1975. Within manufacturing the largest increases were registered by iron and products, chemicals and allied products and non-ferrous metals. About 90% of the growth in each of these three sectors was due to increased U.S. investment. Investment in petroleum and natural gas and in mining and smelting both expanded by 7% to \$10,807 million and \$5,492 million, respectively. Long-term investment in the financial industry and merchandising was also sizeable, rising by 16% and 13% to \$7,529 million and \$2,996 million, respectively. A substantial portion of the increase in finance was registered by sales finance, insurance and real estate enterprises.

For further information, contact F. Chow (613-996-2545), Balance of Payments Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z8.

(see tables on pages 4-6)

Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, December 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers shipped 1,111,081,000 square feet (103 223 000 m²) of corrugated boxes and wrappers in December, a decrease of 4.8% from 1,166,933,000 square feet (108 412 000 m²) in December 1976.

Shipments for the year 1977 totalled 17,108,039,000 square feet (1 589 388 000 m²), up from 17,026,723,000 square feet (1 581 393 000 m²) in 1976.

For further information, order the December issue of *Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers* (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Foreign Long-term Investment in Canada, Year Ends 1971-75, by Nature of Ownership and Type of Claim

Nature of ownership and type of claim Summary	Owned in United States					Owned in United Kingdom				
	1971	1972r	1973r	1974r	1975	1971	1972r	1973r	1974r	1975
	millions of dollars									
Nature of ownership:										
Direct investment	22,443	23,679	26,113	28,996	32,194	2,715	2,821	3,151	3,525	3,717
Government bonds	6,664	7,096	7,584	8,648	11,078	334	372	383	371	441
Other portfolio investment	5,211	5,750	6,394	6,779	7,240	1,052	1,173	1,257	1,274	1,342
Miscellaneous investment	2,020	2,073	2,124	2,382	2,423	220	210	220	160	175
Total investment	36,338	38,598	42,215	46,805	52,935	4,321	4,576	5,011	5,330	5,675
Type of claim:										
Bonds and debentures:										
Government	6,664	7,096	7,584	8,648	11,078	334	372	383	371	441
Railways	163	157	156	236	262	260	268	266	261	261
Other corporations	4,941	4,925	4,992	5,164	5,451	117	154	136	125	161
Sub-totals	11,768	12,178	12,732	14,048	16,791	711	794	785	757	863
Capital stocks of Canadian companies	17,639	19,075	21,590	23,704	26,195	2,498	2,617	2,899	3,295	3,429
Other claims on corporations*	4,911	5,272	5,769	6,671	7,526	892	955	1,107	1,118	1,208
Miscellaneous investment	2,020	2,073	2,124	2,382	2,423	220	210	220	160	175
Total investment	36,338	38,598	42,215	46,805	52,935	4,321	4,576	5,011	5,330	5,675
Nature of ownership by type of claim										
Direct investment (controlled in country of ownership):										
Bonds and debentures:										
Railways	1	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—
Other corporations	1,786	1,552	1,456	1,454	1,447	21	29	33	43	45
Sub-totals	1,787	1,553	1,457	1,455	1,448	21	29	33	43	45
Capital stock of Canadian companies	16,275	17,505	19,829	21,957	24,461	1,922	1,975	2,223	2,631	2,751
Other claims on corporations*	4,381	4,621	4,827	5,584	6,285	772	817	895	851	921
Total, direct investment	22,443	23,679	26,113	28,996	32,194	2,715	2,821	3,151	3,525	3,717
Government bonds	6,664	7,096	7,584	8,648	11,078	334	372	383	371	441
Other portfolio investment (not controlled in country of ownership):										
Bonds and debentures:										
Railways:										
Controlled in Canada	162	156	155	236	262	259	267	266	260	261
Controlled in Other Countries	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—
Other corporations:										
Controlled in Canada	2,331	2,487	2,587	3,260	3,509	72	86	80	63	80
Controlled in Other Countries	824	885	949	450	494	24	40	23	20	36
Sub-totals	3,317	3,528	3,691	3,946	4,265	356	394	369	343	377
Capital stock of Canadian companies:										
Companies controlled in Canada	1,154	1,362	1,543	1,513	1,518	466	557	582	550	556
Companies controlled in Other Countries	210	208	217	234	215	110	85	94	115	122
Other claims on corporations:**										
Companies controlled in Canada	308	396	584	753	915	55	117	77	121	133
Companies controlled in Other Countries	222	256	359	333	327	65	20	135	145	154
Total, other portfolio investment	5,211	5,750	6,394	6,779	7,240	1,052	1,173	1,257	1,274	1,342
Miscellaneous investment:										
Real estate, mortgages, assets administered for non-residents, private investment companies, etc.	2,020	2,073	2,124	2,382	2,423	220	210	220	160	175

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*Includes net assets of unincorporated branches of foreign corporations and long-term debt other than bonds and debentures.

**Consists of long-term debt other than bonds and debentures.

Note: Due to rounding, some totals may not agree with the sum of their components.

Foreign Long-term Investment in Canada, Year Ends 1971-75, by Nature of Ownership and Type of Claim

Nature of ownership and type of claim Summary	Owned in All Other Countries					Owned by All Non-Residents				
	1971	1972r	1973r	1974r	1975	1971	1972r	1973r	1974r	1975
	millions of dollars									
Nature of ownership:										
Direct investment	2,760	2,996	3,388	3,580	3,927	27,918	29,496	32,652	36,101	39,838
Government bonds	1,092	1,972	2,064	2,531	3,590	8,090	9,440	10,031	11,550	15,109
Other portfolio investment	904	1,009	1,078	1,139	1,567	7,167	7,932	8,729	9,192	10,149
Miscellaneous investment	835	880	930	905	955	3,075	3,163	3,274	3,447	3,553
Total investment	5,591	6,857	7,460	8,155	10,039	46,250	50,031	54,686	60,290	68,649
Type of claim:										
Bonds and debentures:										
Government	1,092	1,972	2,064	2,531	3,590	8,090	9,440	10,031	11,550	15,109
Railways	67	67	63	64	64	490	492	485	561	587
Other corporations	319	322	327	327	715	5,377	5,401	5,455	5,616	6,327
Sub-totals	1,478	2,361	2,454	2,922	4,369	13,957	15,333	15,971	17,727	22,023
Capital stocks of Canadian companies	2,456	2,712	3,122	3,280	3,563	22,593	24,404	27,611	30,279	33,187
Other claims on corporations*	822	904	954	1,048	1,152	6,625	7,131	7,830	8,837	9,886
Miscellaneous investment	835	880	930	905	955	3,075	3,163	3,274	3,447	3,553
Total investment	5,591	6,857	7,460	8,155	10,039	46,250	50,031	54,686	60,290	68,649
Nature of ownership by type of claim										
Direct investment (controlled in country of ownership):										
Bonds and debentures:										
Railways	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	1
Other corporations	199	207	212	201	241	2,006	1,788	1,701	1,698	1,733
Sub-totals	199	207	212	201	241	2,007	1,789	1,702	1,699	1,734
Capital stock of Canadian companies	1,876	2,014	2,379	2,495	2,702	20,073	21,494	24,431	27,083	29,914
Other claims on corporations*	685	775	797	884	984	5,838	6,213	6,519	7,319	8,190
Total, direct investment	2,760	2,996	3,388	3,580	3,927	27,918	29,496	32,652	36,101	39,838
Government bonds	1,092	1,972	2,064	2,531	3,590	8,090	9,440	10,031	11,550	15,109
Other portfolio investment (not controlled in country of ownership):										
Bonds and debentures:										
Railways:										
Controlled in Canada	67	68	63	64	64	488	491	484	560	587
Controlled in Other Countries	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—
Other corporations:										
Controlled in Canada	69	79	72	87	253	2,472	2,652	2,739	3,410	3,842
Controlled in Other Countries	51	36	42	39	220	899	961	1,014	509	750
Sub-totals	187	183	177	190	537	3,860	4,105	4,237	4,479	5,179
Capital stock of Canadian companies:										
Companies controlled in Canada	391	620	638	648	716	2,011	2,539	2,763	2,711	2,790
Companies controlled in Other Countries	189	78	106	136	146	509	371	417	485	483
Other claims on corporations:**										
Companies controlled in Canada	68	85	121	116	119	431	598	782	990	1,167
Companies controlled in Other Countries	69	43	36	49	49	356	319	530	527	530
Total, other portfolio investment	904	1,009	1,078	1,139	1,567	7,167	7,932	8,729	9,192	10,149
Miscellaneous investment:										
Real estate, mortgages, assets administered for non-residents' private investment companies, etc.	835	880	930	905	955	3,075	3,163	3,274	3,447	3,553

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**Consists of long-term debt other than bonds and debentures.

Note: Due to rounding, some totals may not agree with the sum of their components.

Foreign Long-term Investment in Canada, Year Ends 1971-75, by Type of Investment

Type of Investment	1971	1972r	1973r	1974r	1975	1971	1972r	1973r	1974r	1975
	millions of dollars									
	Owned in United States					Owned in United Kingdom				
Government securities:										
Government of Canada	342	349	343	303	346	44	70	81	53	74
Provincial	5,057	5,571	6,156	7,156	9,259	242	256	256	274	305
Municipal	1,265	1,176	1,085	1,189	1,473	48	46	46	44	62
Sub-total	6,664	7,096	7,584	8,648	11,078	334	372	383	371	441
Manufacturing:										
Vegetable products	1,084	1,182	1,314	1,496	1,715	150	151	159	181	197
Animal products	260	256	313	345	364	11	13	11	10	8
Textiles	206	232	258	304	336	58	65	65	75	82
Wood and paper products	2,464	2,513	2,544	2,733	2,877	229	184	213	276	308
Iron and products	3,374	3,670	4,100	4,582	5,069	153	181	208	221	250
Non-ferrous metals	1,434	1,564	1,727	1,834	2,054	108	127	132	120	122
Non-metallic minerals	320	348	376	423	495	62	95	92	119	119
Chemicals and allied products	1,431	1,513	1,685	1,969	2,255	255	218	221	274	288
Miscellaneous manufacturers	260	246	270	310	368	3	3	3	3	3
Sub-total	10,833	11,524	12,587	13,996	15,533	1,029	1,037	1,104	1,279	1,377
Petroleum and natural gas	6,525	6,824	7,596	7,986	8,592	705	771	865	956	981
Mining and smelting	3,360	3,551	3,774	4,095	4,409	233	237	251	364	367
Utilities:										
Railways	398	414	436	501	566	364	358	337	316	326
Other (excluding public enterprises)	1,298	1,429	1,627	1,765	1,878	95	98	119	89	99
Sub-totals	1,696	1,843	2,063	2,266	2,444	459	456	456	405	425
Merchandising	1,486	1,529	1,777	1,995	2,261	311	332	345	382	411
Financial	2,990	3,298	3,746	4,320	4,879	919	1,034	1,231	1,255	1,332
Other enterprises	764	860	964	1,117	1,316	111	127	156	158	166
Miscellaneous investment	2,020	2,073	2,124	2,382	2,423	220	210	220	160	175
Total investment	36,338	38,598	42,215	46,805	52,935	4,321	4,576	5,011	5,330	5,675
	Owned in All Other Countries					Owned by All Non-residents				
Government securities:										
Government of Canada	191	291	213	194	226	577	710	637	550	646
Provincial	769	1,406	1,514	1,982	2,804	6,068	7,233	7,926	9,412	12,368
Municipal	132	275	337	355	560	1,445	1,497	1,468	1,588	2,095
Sub-totals	1,092	1,972	2,064	2,531	3,590	8,090	9,440	10,031	11,550	15,109
Manufacturing:										
Vegetable products	125	138	159	198	157	1,359	1,471	1,632	1,875	2,069
Animal products	23	19	22	36	48	294	288	346	391	420
Textiles	13	6	13	23	17	277	303	336	402	435
Wood and paper products	448	447	473	484	491	3,141	3,144	3,230	3,493	3,676
Iron and products	154	173	113	155	183	3,681	4,024	4,421	4,958	5,502
Non-ferrous metals	80	85	108	115	139	1,622	1,776	1,967	2,069	2,315
Non-metallic minerals	128	167	253	247	310	510	610	721	789	924
Chemicals and allied products	122	143	158	121	133	1,808	1,874	2,064	2,364	2,676
Miscellaneous manufactures	6	6	7	10	9	269	255	280	323	380
Sub-totals	1,099	1,184	1,306	1,389	1,487	12,961	13,745	14,997	16,664	18,397
Petroleum and natural gas	837	942	1,056	1,146	1,234	8,067	8,537	9,517	10,088	10,807
Mining and smelting	479	490	586	663	716	4,072	4,278	4,611	5,122	5,492
Utilities:										
Railways	132	127	110	100	115	894	899	883	917	1,007
Other (excluding public enterprises)	85	77	99	101	113	1,478	1,604	1,845	1,955	2,090
Sub-total	217	204	209	201	228	2,372	2,503	2,728	2,872	3,097
Merchandising	192	204	238	268	324	1,989	2,065	2,360	2,645	2,996
Financial	745	865	916	911	1,318	4,654	5,197	5,893	6,486	7,529
Other enterprises	95	116	155	141	187	970	1,103	1,275	1,416	1,669
Miscellaneous investment	835	880	930	905	955	3,075	3,163	3,274	3,447	3,553
Total investment	5,591	6,857	7,460	8,155	10,039	46,250	50,031	54,686	60,290	68,649

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Employment, Earnings and Hours, Advance Data

November 1977

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Employment Index Number									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted				
	Nov.	Oct.	Sept.	Aug.	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.	Oct.	Sept.	Aug.
	1977f	1977p	1977p	1977r	1976	1976	1977f	1977p	1977p	1977r
	1961=100									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	84.3	89.2	93.3	91.6	80.6	87.5	81.0	79.8	80.5	76.0
Mining, including milling	121.5	121.7	121.0	128.1	120.2	119.8	121.2	122.6	121.6	125.8
Manufacturing	126.2	127.3	128.1	129.4	127.5	128.6	126.0	125.8	126.5	127.1
Durable Goods	138.8	139.2	139.1	139.3	140.4	140.1	137.4	137.1	138.3	139.0
Non-durable Goods	116.1	117.6	119.2	121.5	117.2	119.2	116.8	116.6	116.7	117.8
Construction	112.1	120.4	122.0	123.5	117.4	122.2	107.2	108.3	108.4	110.1
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	131.8	132.0	133.8	134.1	129.8	130.6	132.3	131.5	131.9	131.7
Trade	173.0	171.2	168.8	165.9	178.5	175.0	166.3	167.8	169.1	169.9
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	196.8	196.5	195.6	195.8	188.3	187.5	196.9	196.6	195.7	195.1
Service	254.0	254.8	257.0	262.1	243.5	245.4	256.4	253.4	253.0	251.1
Industrial Composite	145.7	146.6	147.1	148.0	145.8	146.3	144.3	144.3	144.8	144.9
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	131.9	133.9	135.6	138.7	133.0	135.5	130.2	129.8	128.9	130.5
Newfoundland	131.0	135.3	137.5	142.8	136.4	139.7	128.0	129.0	127.0	132.8
Prince Edward Island	152.5	156.6	165.3	176.0	146.2	153.9	153.0	149.1	151.3	154.1
Nova Scotia	130.3	130.2	129.9	131.7	129.6	130.5	129.0	127.7	126.9	127.6
New Brunswick	132.5	135.4	138.5	141.1	133.9	137.3	131.3	132.3	131.2	130.3
Quebec	127.9	129.0	130.1	130.9	130.0	130.1	126.2	126.7	127.4	128.3
Ontario	149.9	150.4	150.1	150.5	149.3	149.4	148.5	148.3	148.3	148.2
Prairie Region	160.9	161.5	162.2	162.4	158.9	160.3	160.1	159.5	158.8	158.1
Manitoba	126.3	127.0	127.8	127.7	128.2	130.0	125.3	125.6	125.0	125.0
Saskatchewan	143.2	143.9	145.6	146.9	145.4	146.3	142.1	141.5	142.6	142.1
Alberta	197.2	197.3	197.8	197.9	190.2	191.3	196.7	195.1	193.8	192.2
British Columbia	172.1	173.3	174.6	176.3	170.9	171.9	172.0	171.7	173.2	173.5
Yukon	205.9	202.1	209.1	216.2	178.4	166.8	210.5	202.7	202.2	201.7
Northwest Territories	142.9	148.2	154.2	163.7	149.6	154.0	152.2	152.9	144.4	145.7
Canada	145.7	146.6	147.2	148.0	145.8	146.3	144.3	144.3	144.8	144.9

.. figures not available. f-first estimate based on limited number of returns. p-preliminary figures. r-revised figures.

Employment, Earnings and Hours (Seasonally Adjusted), November 1977 — Advance Information

The first estimates of the Canadian industrial composite* index of employment (1961=100) for November 1977 showed no variation from October. Mining (including milling), construction and trade decreased while the remaining industry divisions increased. At the provincial level Quebec recorded a decrease and the other regions registered small gains.

Average weekly earnings remained virtually unchanged from October to November. Forestry, construction and service registered decreases while the other industry divisions posted gains. All regions regressed with the exception of Ontario and the Atlantic region which both advanced.

Average weekly hours of hourly-rated wage-earners went down in mining (including milling), in manufacturing and in construction. Average hourly earnings increased in mining (including milling) and in manufacturing, but declined in construction.

* Industrial composite is the sum of all industries with the exception of agriculture, fishing and trapping, education and related services, health and welfare services, religious organizations, private households and public administration and defence. All statistics are based on returns received from employers having 20 or more employees in any month of the year. Notes on concepts and methods can be found in any issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours*.

Detailed information for September and October will be published in the November issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002, 70¢/\$7), and is also available from Mr. R. Ouellette (613-992-5613), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

(see tables on pages 8-9)

Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations				Seasonally adjusted					
	Nov. 1977f	Oct. 1977p	Sept. 1977p	Aug. 1977r	Nov. 1976	Oct. 1976	Nov. 1977f	Oct. 1977p	Sept. 1977p	Aug. 1977r
	dollars									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	329.26	333.09	324.23	305.36	313.40	301.31	323.12	326.53	329.20	313.61
Mining, including milling	363.86	358.81	353.52	345.81	334.16	327.29	359.01	356.10	354.83	351.04
Manufacturing	274.97	274.71	272.36	265.98	252.00	248.16	273.36	271.61	271.87	268.91
Durable Goods	296.65	296.57	294.02	284.67	269.86	264.93	293.86	290.87	291.17	287.49
Non-durable Goods	254.13	253.86	252.02	248.76	234.73	232.27	254.18	253.99	253.77	251.27
Construction	379.42	397.23	388.19	384.63	350.86	346.70	372.31	381.15	376.01	380.11
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	297.04	297.41	294.10	292.08	273.31	271.26	298.29	297.68	294.87	293.61
Trade	194.15	194.47	192.97	194.47	179.81	180.33	197.63	195.68	193.92	192.39
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	234.55	234.68	233.31	229.90	215.89	216.64	238.00	237.27	236.55	232.88
Service	172.52	174.30	172.14	171.89	163.52	163.84	173.40	174.56	173.65	171.03
Industrial Composite	256.17	257.94	255.48	252.50	236.59	235.03	255.99	255.87	254.89	252.50
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	224.59	225.34	224.19	222.30	210.02	207.61	225.74	225.00	225.05	222.52
Newfoundland	246.29	247.67	243.86	244.18	229.38	227.63	247.88	246.07	244.06	244.55
Prince Edward Island	192.62	193.37	189.98	186.24	183.51	176.02
Nova Scotia	215.56	215.44	215.86	214.63	200.15	198.34	217.52	216.61	215.04	214.24
New Brunswick	224.77	225.74	224.71	220.70	211.38	208.24	225.22	225.69	228.50	222.84
Quebec	252.20	254.10	250.86	247.06	232.03	228.74	251.55	251.96	250.58	247.85
Ontario	256.28	257.43	255.68	251.60	236.14	235.82	256.05	254.93	254.59	251.78
Prairie Region	251.11	254.03	251.16	251.92	233.52	232.40	251.66	253.04	250.61	251.07
Manitoba	228.04	231.85	230.42	230.32	215.25	215.82	229.74	231.34	229.46	228.08
Saskatchewan	240.73	243.36	240.73	239.43	222.76	222.73	240.75	241.84	241.79	238.69
Alberta	266.45	269.65	265.53	267.39	247.22	244.89	266.29	268.71	264.74	266.99
British Columbia	290.28	292.66	289.58	287.59	269.26	266.81	287.83	289.53	286.20	284.57
Yukon	354.17	373.61	360.29	355.48	321.28	323.60
Northwest Territories	305.31	333.11	332.97	303.36	300.75	310.62
Canada	256.17	257.94	255.48	252.50	236.59	235.03	255.99	255.87	254.89	252.50

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The Dairy Review, November 1977 — Advance Information

An estimated 1,201,564,000 pounds of milk were produced for all purposes in November, 9.5% more than November 1976.

This brought the total estimate of production during the first 11 months of the year to 15,875,637,000 pounds, up 0.3% from the January-November period in 1976.

For further information, order the December issue of *The Dairy Review* (23-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Manufacturers of Major Appliances, 1976 — Advance Information

Manufacturers of major appliances shipped \$546.8 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 8.5% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 22.4% to \$292.0 million, the number of employees increased 1.1% to 11,888 and total salaries and wages increased 13.3% to \$138.0 million.

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Major Appliances, 1976* (43-204, 70¢).

Merchandising Businesses Survey, 1976 — Agents and Brokers — Advance Information

The total volume of trade reported by 4,707 establishments for the 1976 Merchandising Businesses Survey, Agents and Brokers was \$13,333,977,000.

This and other data will be contained in *Merchandising Businesses Survey, 1976 — Agents and Brokers* (63-602, \$1.05), and advance details may be obtained from the Wholesale Trade Section (613-996-9307), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Hours and Average Hourly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations						Seasonally adjusted			
	Nov. 1977f	Oct. 1977p	Sept. 1977p	Aug. 1977r	Nov. 1976	Oct. 1976	Nov. 1977f	Oct. 1977p	Sept. 1977p	Aug. 1977r
					number					
Average Weekly Hours:										
Canada:										
Mining, including milling	40.8	41.0	40.8	40.6	41.2	40.7	40.1	40.6	41.0	41.1
Manufacturing	38.9	39.1	39.0	38.7	39.1	38.9	38.5	38.7	38.6	38.9
Durable Goods	40.0	40.1	40.1	39.4	40.1	39.7	39.5	39.4	39.6	39.7
Non-durable Goods	37.6	38.0	37.9	37.9	38.2	38.1	37.3	37.7	37.6	37.9
Construction	38.6	40.6	39.9	40.2	39.3	39.6	38.5	39.1	38.2	38.9
Building	37.0	38.5	37.7	37.7	37.7	37.8	36.6	37.4	36.6	37.3
Engineering	41.4	44.1	43.4	44.0	42.3	42.7	41.4	42.0	41.0	41.8
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	37.2	37.4	37.9	37.8	37.5	37.1	37.4	37.7	37.9	37.9
Quebec	39.2	39.4	39.3	39.0	39.6	39.2	38.7	38.7	38.8	39.0
Ontario	39.6	39.8	39.8	39.5	39.6	39.6	39.2	39.2	39.3	39.7
Prairie Region	36.9	37.6	37.4	37.0	37.5	37.3	36.6	37.2	37.2	37.4
British Columbia	36.4	36.1	35.6	35.7	37.0	36.2	36.1	36.1	35.8	36.4
					dollars					
Average Hourly Earnings:										
Canada:										
Mining, including milling	8.48	8.33	8.20	8.05	7.72	7.63	8.45	8.30	8.20	8.10
Manufacturing	6.58	6.56	6.52	6.39	5.98	5.92	6.59	6.53	6.55	6.44
Durable Goods	7.02	7.03	6.98	6.82	6.37	6.30	7.02	6.98	6.95	6.85
Non-durable Goods	6.09	6.06	6.03	5.95	5.56	5.52	6.12	6.09	6.11	6.03
Construction	10.07	10.07	10.00	9.85	9.17	8.97	9.90	9.98	9.97	10.00
Building	10.03	10.06	9.99	9.81	9.19	9.12	9.88	9.96	9.92	9.85
Engineering	10.14	10.10	10.00	9.91	9.15	8.74	9.96	10.05	9.97	10.11
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	5.96	5.93	5.83	5.70	5.45	5.44	5.98	5.91	5.95	5.86
Quebec	5.96	5.92	5.90	5.80	5.40	5.30	5.96	5.94	5.91	5.84
Ontario	6.65	6.66	6.62	6.46	6.07	6.02	6.65	6.64	6.61	6.50
Prairie Region	6.65	6.67	6.61	6.57	6.04	5.99	6.62	6.62	6.57	6.55
British Columbia	8.60	8.55	8.38	8.31	7.86	7.78	8.59	8.54	8.38	8.36

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Narrow Fabric Mills, 1976 — Advance Information

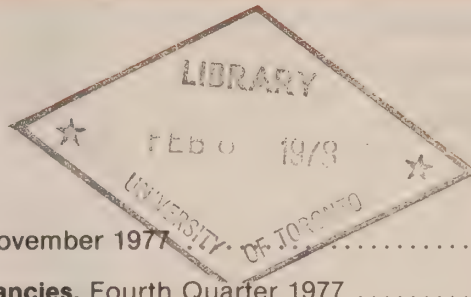
Narrow fabric mills shipped \$54.9 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 9.3% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 15.3% to \$32.1 million, the number of employees decreased 3.4% to 2,171 and total salaries and wages increased 9.9% to \$18.5 million.

For further information, contact Gilbert Elliot (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Textile Industries, 1976* (34-210, \$1.05).

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Historical Labour Force Statistics — Actual Data, Seasonal Factors, Seasonally Adjusted Data, 1977 (71-201, \$2.10)

Fruit and Vegetable Production, January 1978 (22-003, 40¢/\$3)

Gas Utilities, October 1977 (55-002, 30¢/\$3)

Electric Power Statistics, September 1977 (57-001, 30¢/\$3)

Soaps and Synthetic Detergents, November 1977 (46-003, 30¢/\$3)

Scrap Iron and Steel, 1975 (41-212, 35¢)

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, January 1, 1978 (32-010, 30¢/\$3)

Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics, November 1977 (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

	Nov. 1977f	Oct. 1977p	Sept. 1977r	Nov. 1976
	(\$ millions)			
	Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Agriculture	77.9	95.9	119.1	66.1
Forestry	116.0	119.1	120.3	103.0
Mining	247.3	243.6	240.4	224.6
Manufacturing	2,128.7	2,136.1	2,128.9	1,953.2
Construction	786.6	883.9	883.9	768.1
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	988.2	991.7	988.8	899.7
Trade	1,241.5	1,226.8	1,203.1	1,194.1
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	601.5	599.2	594.4	529.9
Service	2,399.8	2,385.3	2,349.4	2,161.9
Public Administration and Defence(1)	857.5	847.6	868.0	765.1
Total, Wages and Salaries(2)	9,451.7	9,539.7	9,507.3	8,669.3
Supplementary Labour Income	774.0	781.9	779.2	690.8
Total, Labour Income(2)	10,225.7	10,321.6	10,286.4	9,360.1
	Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Agriculture	88.9	87.1	87.0	75.4
Forestry	109.5	103.7	104.1	97.1
Mining	244.7	243.6	242.1	222.3
Manufacturing	2,116.5	2,090.0	2,085.8	1,942.2
Construction	749.6	774.1	760.8	732.6
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	997.0	993.6	979.4	907.2
Trade	1,215.2	1,212.0	1,208.6	1,170.0
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	612.2	606.6	601.7	539.5
Service	2,351.0	2,324.0	2,323.4	2,121.1
Public Administration and Defence(1)	871.6	860.1	869.1	775.1
Total, Wages and Salaries(2)	9,368.8	9,308.0	9,270.2	8,581.5
Supplementary Labour Income	768.1	764.3	760.7	714.1
Total, Labour Income(2)	10,136.9	10,072.3	10,030.8	9,290.1

f First estimates.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

(1) Excludes military pay and allowances.

(2) Includes fishing and trapping.

.. Not available.

Estimates of Labour Income, November 1977 — Advance Information

Labour income was estimated at \$10.2 billion for November, an increase of \$866 million or 9.2% over November 1976.

Seasonally adjusted, wages and salaries increased by almost \$61 million between October and November to \$9.4 billion.

Detailed estimates will be published in the October-December issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-005, \$1.05/\$4.20), or can be obtained from Mrs. G. Gauthier (613-995-8067), Labour Income Section, Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended January 28, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended January 28 was 299,005 short tons (271 253 t), a decrease of 1.3% from the preceding week's total of 302,851 short tons (274 742 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was 283,257 tons (256 966 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 163.2 in the current week, 165.3 a week earlier and 154.6 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Preliminary Report on Job Vacancies, Fourth Quarter 1977 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates for the fourth quarter of 1977 show a decrease in the average number of vacant jobs from the third quarter and from the comparable period in 1976. Vacancies for full-time, part-time and casual jobs declined 30% to 36,700* from 52,700 vacancies reported in the third quarter. Compared with the fourth quarter of 1976, the number of vacancies decreased by 9%.

Vacancies for full-time jobs decreased by 30% to 31,800 from the preceding quarter. Longer-term vacancies — jobs unfilled for more than four weeks — declined by 21% to 12,500.

For every 1,000 existing jobs in the latest quarter, four were vacant, a decrease of two from the third quarter. The comparable rate a year ago was five. The highest vacancy rates were observed in Alberta (seven per 1,000) and Ontario (five per 1,000). The lowest rate (two per 1,000) occurred in Newfoundland and Nova Scotia.

* The Job Vacancy Survey provides an estimate of the average number of vacancies available on any given day in a three-month period. The estimate of this three-month average is derived from six observations taken at regular intervals. Consequently, the survey does not cover those vacancies which occur and are filled between individual observations. In addition, the survey does not cover openings in agriculture, fishing, hunting, trapping and households. The data derived from the Job Vacancy Survey, taken over time, are consistent and reliable indicators of trends in job openings. For detailed definitions and design of the survey see Canadian Job Vacancy Survey, Technical Appendix, 1972 (71-521, 50¢).

Vacancy Rates for Part-time and Full-time Jobs Canada and Provinces

	Three Month Periods		
	Ending		
	4th Qtr. 1977p	3rd Qtr. 1977	4th Qtr. 1976
	(Rates per 1,000 jobs)		
Canada(1)	4	6	5
Atlantic Provinces(2)	3	4	3
Newfoundland	2	3	4
Nova Scotia	2	4	2
New Brunswick	4	4	4
Quebec	3	5	4
Ontario	5	6	4
Manitoba	4	6	5
Saskatchewan	4	7	8
Alberta	7	11	13
British Columbia	4	5	3

p Preliminary estimates.

(1) Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories.

(2) Includes Prince Edward Island.

For further information, contact Mr. J.A. Boucek (613-992-2006), or Ms. M. Beaubien (613-996-7148), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Corrugated Box Manufacturers, 1976 — Advance Information

Manufacturers of corrugated boxes shipped \$578.5 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 13.1% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 15.0% to \$222.5 million, the number of employees decreased 0.9% to 10,537 and total salaries and wages increased 10.6% to \$132.1 million.

For further information, contact Mr. G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Corrugated Box Manufacturers, 1976* (36-213, 70¢).

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Culture Statistics: Public Libraries in Canada, 1975 (87-651, 70¢)

Advance Estimates of Employees

November 1977

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Number of Employees									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations				Seasonally adjusted					
	Nov. 1977f	Oct. 1977p	Sept. 1977r	Aug. 1977r	Nov. 1976	Oct. 1976	Nov. 1977f	Oct. 1977p	Sept. 1977r	Aug. 1977r
					(000's)					
Industry Division										
Forestry	70.5	73.2	75.3	78.5	58.5	63.8	68.8	66.8	65.6	65.0
Mining (including milling)	140.9	142.6	141.6	149.0	137.8	137.1	140.8	142.9	141.7	145.0
Manufacturing	1,780.3	1,797.2	1,810.6	1,828.0	1,775.5	1,784.9	1,779.0	1,783.2	1,781.3	1,788.5
Construction	481.4	510.0	517.0	531.2	476.0	496.2	468.4	466.0	464.8	472.1
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	812.7	814.9	821.8	817.3	790.1	795.3	815.2	810.2	809.8	806.4
Trade	1,464.1	1,450.5	1,429.4	1,412.7	1,423.0	1,414.3	1,434.1	1,431.3	1,428.9	1,428.8
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	486.8	486.5	486.9	488.2	444.6	442.2	488.8	487.8	487.4	485.0
Total Service	2,541.0	2,533.8	2,515.8	2,381.1	2,402.8	2,390.8	2,512.6	2,501.7	2,499.0	2,525.4
Non-commercial Service	1,429.0	1,410.3	1,379.9	1,221.9	1,404.8	1,381.9	1,386.0	1,377.1	1,375.4	1,409.4
Commercial Service	1,111.9	1,123.5	1,135.8	1,159.2	998.0	1,008.8	1,126.6	1,124.6	1,123.6	1,115.9
Public Administration and Defence(1)	618.2	615.7	625.8	650.2	601.4	601.0	631.2	627.6	626.4	623.5
Total Non-agricultural Industries(2)	8,401.2	8,430.3	8,433.8	8,347.1	8,114.5	8,133.4	8,344.9	8,323.6	8,313.2	8,347.9
Total Non-agricultural Industries										
Newfoundland	131.8	134.4	135.6	138.4	129.8	131.3	129.9	130.5	129.7	130.7
Prince Edward Island	29.2	30.0	30.6	32.7	28.9	29.1	29.0	29.1	28.8	30.2
Nova Scotia	247.4	248.2	247.5	253.7	240.9	243.2	246.7	244.9	242.1	246.2
New Brunswick	192.0	195.2	197.7	201.2	186.0	191.4	191.6	191.8	189.5	190.6
Quebec	2,160.4	2,174.0	2,168.3	2,130.8	2,082.3	2,085.3	2,131.9	2,133.0	2,128.2	2,167.2
Ontario	3,351.9	3,358.4	3,353.6	3,335.3	3,264.4	3,259.2	3,337.4	3,327.6	3,321.6	3,329.9
Manitoba	353.3	353.6	355.4	353.0	345.8	348.1	351.5	349.8	350.6	350.1
Saskatchewan	254.9	255.3	257.9	251.5	253.8	250.6	254.2	253.4	254.7	250.8
Alberta	732.9	732.3	733.4	724.3	686.9	688.1	729.5	726.5	726.4	714.9
British Columbia	919.8	920.6	920.8	891.2	870.7	878.9	914.3	908.4	910.9	906.6
Canada(3)	8,401.2	8,430.3	8,433.8	8,347.1	8,114.5	8,133.4	8,344.9	8,323.6	8,313.2	8,347.9

f first estimate based on a limited number of returns

p preliminary figures

r revised figures

(1) Excludes military personnel

(2) Includes Fishing and Trapping

(3) Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories

Estimates of Employees, November 1977 — Advance Information

Monthly estimates of employment by province and industry for the period 1961 to 1974 have already been published in Catalogue 72-514. Revised and updated data from January 1961 to December 1976 inclusive will be included in an historical publication; this publication, to be released in the near future, will also contain notes on concepts and methods.

Monthly summary data is released on a regular basis in the Statistics Canada Daily, while detailed monthly information is published in Catalogue 72-008, *Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry*.

Data from 1961 to 1976 are available on request from Mr. G. Mahoney (613-992-3868), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

Retail Chain Stores, 1976 — Advance Information

Annual sales by chain organizations in Canada (unadjusted for price changes) reached \$17,181 million in 1976, an increase of 8.0% over the 1975 figure of \$15,906 million. Results of the annual survey of chain organizations indicate that the number of such organizations in Canada decreased from 853 in 1975 to 827 in 1976 while the maximum number of chain outlets in operation increased by 544 to a total of 21,359 stores.

The report *Retail Chain Stores, 1976* (63-210, \$1.40) will be published later this year. However, detailed information on sales by chain organizations, including data by various kinds of business for the provinces and selected cities, are now available and may be obtained by contacting the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Import and Export Price and Volume Indexes, November 1977 — Advance Information

Import and export price indexes both increased moderately in November. The import index stood about 15% higher than in November 1976, while the export index was up 8.6% from a year earlier.

Seasonally-adjusted volumes of imports and exports dropped sharply in November, although part of the decrease was due to technical changes made to improve the efficiency of data processing.

For further information, order the December issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

Import and Export Price and Volume Indexes

Volume Indexes Weighted with 1971 Prices

Seasonally Adjusted
(1971=100)

	Imports	Exports
1974 Annual	149.5	116.5
1975 Annual	141.1	107.8
1976 Annual	151.7	119.8
1976		
II Quarter	151.8	120.4
III Quarter	151.2	123.4
IV Quarter	152.1	119.2
1977		
I Quarter	154.7	132.9
II Quarter	157.4	129.2
III Quarter	149.8	129.5
1977		
June	154.5	128.1
July	150.1	134.0
August	147.9	129.9
September	151.3	124.5
October	153.0	139.6
November	138.8	117.4

Price Indexes Weighted with Current Period Quantities

Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation
(1971=100)

	Imports	Exports
1974 Annual	135.8	156.3
1975 Annual	157.4	173.1
1976 Annual	158.2	177.5
1976		
II Quarter	158.4	175.9
III Quarter	158.9	178.6
IV Quarter	158.1	177.7
1977		
I Quarter	168.8	183.6
II Quarter	173.7	186.6
III Quarter	181.6	192.6
1977		
June	174.9	186.0
July	180.0	189.9
August	185.7	197.6
September	179.0	190.6
October	181.1	190.1
November	182.2	191.0

Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, October 1977 — Advance Information

Crude petroleum production for October amounted to 1,370,000 barrels a day, down 7.9% from 1,488,000 B/D in October 1976.

Natural gas production for the latest period averaged 9,668,000 Mcf./D, an increase of 1.9% from 9,484,000 Mcf./D in October 1976.

For further information, order the October issue of *Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production* (26-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Vinyl-Asbestos Floor Tile, December 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 3,103 short tons (2 815 t) — or 6,167,286 square feet (572 960 m²) — of vinyl-asbestos floor tile in December compared to 3,291 short tons (2 986 t) — or 6,725,800 square feet (624 847 m²) in December 1976.

For further information, order the December issue of *Production and Shipments of Floor Tiles* (47-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Pressed and Punched Felt Mills, 1976 — Advance Information

Pressed and punched felt mills shipped \$12.3 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 10.7% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 12.4% to \$5.7 million, the number of employees decreased 0.5% to 341 and total salaries and wages increased 12.4% to \$3.4 million.

For further information, contact Gilbert Elliot (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Felt and Fibre Processing Mills, 1976* (34-219, 70¢).

Broom, Brush and Mop Manufacturers, 1976 — Advance Information

The broom, brush and mop manufacturing industry shipped \$63.3 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 5.7% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 6.4% to \$29.1 million, the number of employees decreased 1.5% to 2,054 and total salaries and wages increased 12.4% to \$9.2 million.

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries, 1976* (47-205, \$1.05).

Oils and Fats — Manufacturers' Sales

November 1977 — Advance Information

	Margarine		Shortening*		Salad Oil	
	'000 lbs.	metric tonnes	'000 lbs.	metric tonnes	'000 lbs.	metric tonnes
Retail Sales						
1977	26,752	12 134	6,300	2 858	6,432	2 918
1976	25,406	11 524	5,793	2 628	7,090	3 216
Commercial Sales						
1977	2,066	937	13,436	6 117	1,661	754
1976	1,964	891	11,461 ^r	5 199 ^r	1,494	678
Bulk sales to packagers or bottlers						
1977	16,735	7 591	2,907	1 318	8,445	3 831
1976	14,775	6 702	3,066	1 391	6,463	2 932
Bulk sales to other than packagers or bottlers						
1977	—	—	12,419	5 633	x	x
1976	—	—	11,932	5 412	4,719	1 232

* Includes baking and frying oils and fats.

^r Revised.^x Confidential to meet secrecy requirements of the Statistics Act.

For further information, order the November issue of *Oils and Fats* (32-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Cane and Beet Sugar Processors, 1976 — Advance Information

Cane and beet sugar processors shipped \$471.6 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, down 36.1% from 1975. Total value added by the industry decreased 27.3% to \$74.4 million, the number of employees increased 0.8% to 2,803 and total salaries and wages increased 10.9% to \$39.2 million.

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Cane and Beet Sugar Processors, 1976* (32-222, 70¢).

Boot and Shoe Findings, 1976 — Advance Information

The boot and shoe findings manufacturing industry shipped \$36.5 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, down 0.7% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 5.2% to \$19.8 million, the number of employees decreased 1.1% to 1,340 and total salaries and wages increased 8.1% to \$11.5 million.

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Shoe Factories and Boot and Shoe Findings Manufacturers, 1976* (33-203, 70¢).

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending January 21

	Eastern* Division	Western* Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	2,471,786	2,038,286	4,510,072
Short tons, 1977	2,170,094	2,009,040	4,179,134
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 242 367	1 849 102	4 091 469
Metric tonnes, 1977	1 968 676	1 822 570	3 791 246
% change	13.9	1.5	7.9
Cars, 1978	38,542	30,565	69,107
Cars, 1977	36,434	30,231	66,665
% change	5.8	1.1	3.7
Piggyback traffic**:			
Short tons, 1978	143,939	56,396	200,335
Short tons, 1977	150,680	58,671	209,351
Metric tonnes, 1978	130 579	51 162	181 741
Metric tonnes, 1977	136 695	53 225	189 920
% change	-4.5	-3.9	-4.3
Cars, 1978	4,370	2,230	6,600
Cars, 1977	4,440	2,481	6,921
% change	-1.6	-10.1	-4.6
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	6,257,504	5,236,111	11,493,615
Short tons, 1977	6,050,463	5,281,045	11,331,508
Metric tonnes, 1978	5 676 712	4 750 120	10 426 832
Metric tonnes, 1977	5 488 888	4 790 883	10 279 771
% change	3.4	-0.9	1.4
Cars, 1978	99,108	80,181	179,289
Cars, 1977	97,478	80,919	178,397
% change	1.7	-0.9	0.5
Piggyback traffic**:			
Short tons, 1978	413,203	154,981	568,184
Short tons, 1977	380,431	147,833	528,264
Metric tonnes, 1978	374 851	140 596	515 447
Metric tonnes, 1977	345 121	134 112	479 233
% change	8.6	4.8	7.6
Cars, 1978	12,311	6,272	18,583
Cars, 1977	11,345	6,345	17,690
% change	8.5	-1.2	5.0

*The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

**Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

Note: All 1977 figures have been revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended January 21, 1978

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Canadian railways loaded 4.1 million t (4.5 million short tons) of revenue freight in the above-noted week, 7.9% more than a year earlier. Eastern division traffic rose 13.9% during the latest period, while tonnage in the West was up 1.5%. The total number of railway cars loaded rose 3.7% to 69,107 from 66,665.

Trailer-container (piggyback) shipments were down in both the eastern and western divisions, declining 4.5% and 3.9%, respectively. Over-all this type of traffic was 4.3% below the year-earlier level.

Rail freight loadings in the first three weeks of 1978 were running 1.4% ahead of 1977 and the corresponding carload count was up 0.5%. Trailer-container (piggyback) traffic showed an improvement of 7.6% in the 1978 year-to-date period.

For further information, contact L.E. Robbins or R.J. Staveley (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Manual of French Occupational Titles

Just released by Standards Division is a new manual (No. 16) of French occupational titles. The 2,500 French titles in the 1971 Occupational Classification Manual (12-538) have now been expanded to 7,800; these titles will be incorporated in the next revision of the 1971 OCM, planned for 1981. A copy of the manual may be obtained free of charge from Mrs. Alice Latrémouille (613-996-7825), Standards Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Sales Financing, November 1977 (63-013, 30¢/\$3)

Motion Picture Production, 1976 (63-206, 70¢)

Canadian National Railways and Canadian Pacific Limited, 1972-1976 (52-213, 70¢)

Inventory Accounting Methods in Manufacturing Industries, 1975 (31-524, \$2.10)

Monthly Review of Canadian Fisheries Statistics, November 1977 (24-002, 40¢/\$4)

Corporation Taxation Statistics, 1975 and 1976 Preliminary (for Allocation of Taxable Income Only) — Advance Information

Income taxes declared by corporations in Canada (excluding insurance carriers and credit unions) amounted to \$7,003 million for the 1975 taxation year compared with \$6,559 million for 1974. The rise of \$444 million or 7% in this year of hesitant economic growth was far short of the 38% increase reported the previous year.

The main factor underlying the slowdown in income taxes was a decline of 2% in corporations' book profits before taxes which had surged 31% in 1974. The divergence between income taxes and book profits in 1975 resulted from a near doubling of provincial royalty payments, which were not allowed as a deduction for tax purposes, and reduced claims for exploration, development and depletion expenses. This occurred despite budgetary changes lowering the effective rate of tax on taxable income in 1975. In particular the June 1975 budget introduced an investment tax credit for the 1975 taxation year which permitted mining and manufacturing firms to deduct from their tax otherwise payable an amount equal to 5% of the cost of new machinery and equipment. Within the mining sector legislation passed in the previous year reduced the effective tax rate on petroleum income to 38% from 40%. In sectors other than mining and manufacturing 1975 marked the end of the "10% temporary surtax" on income tax otherwise payable by large firms, and a general reduction in the basic rate of federal tax of one percentage point. The combined effect of these changes was to reduce the average rate of taxation in 1975 by two percentage points to 40% of taxable income.

Taxable income (the tax base) grew 12% to reach \$17,457 million in 1975 with individual industry growth rates varying widely. In the mineral fuels industry, taxable income more than doubled to \$1,857 million as a consequence of higher crude oil prices and the full impact of legislation disallowing provincial royalties as a deduction. Falling world metal prices, however, caused a sharp reduction in taxable income generated in metal mining. Strikes in the paper and allied industries also resulted in lower profits and a halving of taxable income in this industry.

On a regional basis, by far the fastest growth of taxable income in 1975 occurred in Alberta, up 57%, primarily as a result of gains in the mineral fuels industry. Other increases above the national average were recorded in Saskatchewan (27%), Nova Scotia (23%) and Prince Edward Island (15%).

Taxable income allocated to Ontario rose marginally to \$6,578 million, with declines registered in paper and allied industries, metal mining and transportation equipment. In Quebec, corporations reported 5% more taxable income than in 1974, for a total of \$3,403 million. The construction industry, buoyed by preparation for the 1976 Olympic Games, reported a noteworthy increase of 61%.

Preliminary estimates based on partial data are now available for 1976 taxable income and its provincial allocation. These show a marginal decrease for Canada of \$217 million to \$17,240 million, and reflect, in large part, sluggish corporation profits and the negative impact of the new 25% resource allowance effective January 1, 1976. This budgetary measure entitles mining and petroleum firms to a deduction in

calculating taxable income of 25% of their resource profits, and replaces the mineral and petroleum profits tax abatement of the previous two years. As a major consequence, taxable income in 1976 fell in petroleum and coal products \$570 million to \$818 million, in mineral fuels \$318 million to \$1,539 million, and in metal mining \$212 million to \$248 million.

Notable increases in taxable income occurred in forestry and wood products, reflecting the recovery in North American housing markets, and in transport equipment where strength in new vehicle sales led to sharply higher profits in 1976.

The highest rate of growth of all the provinces was recorded in British Columbia where taxable income rose 9% to reach \$1,877 million. This recovery was led by the province's forestry-related industries which had been strike-bound for several months in 1975. Moderate gains in taxable income were registered in the other western provinces of Manitoba (3%) and Saskatchewan (8%), but in Alberta the above-noted introduction of the 25% resource allowance was largely responsible for the 8% drop in taxable income.

In Quebec and Ontario taxable income was virtually unchanged from the previous year at \$3,424 million and \$6,530 million, respectively.

Decreases in taxable income were recorded in all of the Atlantic Provinces, with Prince Edward Island down 5%, Newfoundland down 7% and Nova Scotia and New Brunswick each down 8%. Most of the declines occurred within the manufacturing sectors of the region.

Further details will be contained in the 1975 edition of *Corporation Taxation Statistics* (61-208, \$2.10). Additional information, including preliminary 1976 allocation of taxable income data, can be obtained on request from L.A. Bowen (613-996-6190), Business Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Production of Eggs and Poultry, December 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian egg production decreased 0.7% to 36.5 million dozen in December from 36.7 million dozen a year earlier. The average number of layers was down 1.0% to 23.1 million from 23.3 million while the number of eggs per 100 layers increased 0.3% to 1,897 from 1,892. Farm price of eggs sold for market decreased 6.7% to 61.3 cents a dozen from 65.7¢ a dozen in December 1976.

For further information, order the December issue of *Production of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact J.H. Dickson (613-994-9964), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Oilseeds, December 1977 — Advance Information

Crushings of oilseeds for December, with oil produced and meal produced (all figures thousands of pounds):

- Soybeans: 148,796 (25,051; 115,593).
- Rapeseed: 112,440 (47,071; 62,324).

For further information, order the December issue of *Oilseeds Review* (22-006, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact J.M. Huard (613-994-9956), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Provincial Allocation of Taxable Income, by Industrial Division, 1975 and Preliminary 1976

	Atlantic Provinces		Quebec		Ontario	
	1975	1976p	1975	1976p	1975	1976p
millions of dollars						
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	x	x	7.1	10.4	33.3	40.0
Mining	15.3	11.9	91.0	89.3	351.3	183.0
Manufacturing	279.2	209.9	1,416.0	1,332.5	2,817.3	2,777.1
Construction	60.4	63.8	214.5	244.0	332.4	323.6
Transportation, communication and other utilities	x	x	214.2	206.2	328.6	336.3
Wholesale trade	82.7	73.3	430.6	441.0	713.7	723.5
Retail trade	91.2	90.4	272.6	288.2	417.7	439.0
Finance	139.7	133.9	530.0	547.2	1,173.3	1,221.8
Services	38.1	42.0	226.5	265.2	410.6	485.8
Total all industries	753.5	694.2	3,402.5	3,424.0	6,578.2	6,530.0

	Prairie Provinces		British Columbia		Other		Total Canada	
	1975	1976p	1975	1976p	1975	1976p	1975	1976p
millions of dollars								
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	68.4	73.8	33.6	58.5	x	x	149.7	191.8
Mining	1,814.2	1,590.2	179.9	157.1	77.6	30.4	2,529.4	2,061.9
Manufacturing	1,169.9	925.0	506.8	589.6	16.8	14.0	6,206.1	5,848.1
Construction	229.6	297.5	106.7	115.7	3.8	18.2	947.3	1,062.7
Transportation, communication and other utilities	234.0	279.8	95.5	119.0	x	x	917.5	1,006.8
Wholesale trade	354.5	371.6	195.6	192.7	9.2	5.8	1,786.3	1,807.9
Retail trade	235.5	256.0	149.5	154.6	4.5	4.5	1,170.9	1,232.7
Finance	402.7	458.2	329.3	341.0	195.6	148.7	2,770.6	2,850.7
Services	177.0	228.5	121.8	148.5	5.2	7.9	979.2	1,177.8
Total all industries	4,685.8	4,480.6	1,718.8	1,876.6	318.1	234.9	17,456.9	17,240.4

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Non-Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes

December 1977 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Dec. 1976	% Change	
				Dec./77 Nov./77	Dec./77 Dec./76
Total Index	183.5	183.6	171.8	-0.1	6.8
Materials	168.3	168.5	159.1	-0.1	5.8
Steel and Metal Work	172.7	173.0	173.7	-0.2	-0.6
Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning	156.3	156.8	144.9	-0.3	7.9
Electrical Equipment	157.7	157.5	151.6	0.1	4.0
Concrete Products	189.0	189.0	174.6	—	8.2
Lumber and Lumber Products	191.5	190.5	167.5	0.5	14.3
Other	165.4	165.7	152.6	-0.2	8.4
Labour	200.4	200.3	185.9	—	7.8

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mrs. G. John (613-994-5807), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Union Wage Rate Indexes, including selected pay supplements are now available for December 1977.

Papermakers and Other Felts, October-December 1977 — Advance Information

During the December quarter, Canadian manufacturers shipped 351,049 pounds (159 233 kg) of woven and needled papermakers' felts and jackets valued at \$5,052,325 to Canadian mills. In the same quarter of 1976, totals were x pounds (x kg) and \$ x.

x — Confidential to meet secrecy requirements of the Statistics Act.

For further information, order *Miscellaneous Industries Service Bulletin* (47-003, \$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. G. Elliot (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

January 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	Jan. 27/78 This week	Jan. 20/78 Week ago	Dec. 30/77 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	96.7	97.1	102.0
Industrials	85	90.4	91.2	96.6
Foods	9	97.9	98.4	102.0
Alcoholic beverages	5	78.8	78.3	82.1
Textiles and clothing	3	119.0	119.5	124.1
Pulp and paper	7	110.9	111.3	116.1
Printing and publishing	5	92.0	92.6	96.5
Primary metals	4	95.8	96.3	102.2
Industrial mines	6	64.1	65.6	70.6
Metal fabricating	9	170.0	172.2	180.9
Non-metallic minerals	4	97.7	97.2	94.6
Petroleum	8	101.0	102.0	109.4
Chemicals	5	101.2	101.1	102.9
Construction	5	274.5	272.0	289.6
Trade	15	79.6	78.6	82.8
Utilities and services	28	102.7	102.7	106.0
Transportation	6	125.9	125.9	128.9
Pipelines	5	89.8	89.6	93.0
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	106.7	107.2	108.8
Telephone	4	107.1	107.2	109.5
Electric power	3	134.5	135.8	137.7
Gas distribution	5	86.1	85.6	91.4
Finances	21	118.8	118.1	122.5
Banks	8	118.8	118.0	122.9
Investment and loan	9	116.3	116.2	119.2
Insurance	4	131.0	130.3	134.0
Mining Index	17	128.5	127.9	124.4
Gold	9	285.9	283.2	266.3
Base metals	8	53.0	53.5	56.4
Uranium	2	179.3	177.6	184.8
Primary oils and gas index	5	132.1	131.6	138.2

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Farm Input Price Indexes

(1961=100)

	Eastern Canada 4th Quarter 1977	Western Canada 4th Quarter 1977	Canada 4th Quarter 1977
Total Farm Input (p)	241.8	255.6	248.2
Land and farm buildings (p)	273.7	332.1	303.1
Farm machinery and motor vehicles	218.5	217.0	217.6
Hired farm labour	371.4	386.3	377.1
Other materials and services	210.8	222.4	214.6

p Preliminary figures.

Farm Input Price Indexes, Fourth Quarter 1977 — Advance Information

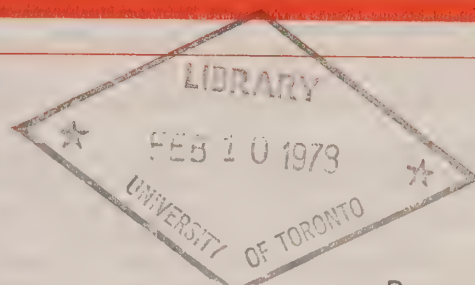
The farm input price index for Canada (1961=100) increased 0.4% to 248.2 in the fourth quarter of 1977 from 247.2 (revised) in the third quarter. The eastern index declined 0.4% to 241.8 from 242.7 (revised) while the western index rose 1.2% to 255.6 from 252.5 (revised).

Over the latest 12 months, the Canada index rose 5.5% — 5.4% in the East and 5.6% in the West.

For further information, order the fourth quarter issue of *Farm Input Price Indexes* (62-004, 35¢/\$1.40), or contact Mrs. A.J. Sprott (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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A Handbook of Canadian Social Indicators

The second edition of *Perspective Canada*, a compendium of social statistics, is still available.

The publication is 340 pages long and contains 345 tables, charts and maps. The topics: population, the changing family, the older Canadians, health, education, work, leisure, income, consumption, urban profiles of Montreal, Toronto and Vancouver, quality of the environment, housing, bilingualism, native peoples, crime and justice.

Perspective Canada II, 1977 (catalogue no. 11-508, \$9.25 in Canada, \$11.00 abroad) provides a notable array of significant social indicators and will be welcomed by a wide variety of interests.

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural)

December 1977

		Year-to-date 1976	Year-to-date 1977	October	November	December
Carriers Reporting*		18 **	19	19	19	19
Revenue Earned:						
Intercity & Rural Services*	\$	122,906,692	136,837,800r	11,233,738r	10,095,191r	13,835,177
Urban-Suburban Services	\$	278,696	304,388r	30,596r	31,345r	22,018
Other Services (e.g. charter)	\$	16,840,598	20,944,960r	2,086,534r	1,034,182r	970,666
Fare Passengers Carried:						
Intercity & Rural Services*	No.	32,354,550	33,076,066r	2,688,017	2,571,289r	2,906,165
Urban-Suburban Services	No.	687,275	690,427	58,552	57,686	60,433
Other Services (e.g. charter)	No.	1,963,451	2,367,550r	226,248	187,318r	144,205
Vehicle Miles:						
Intercity & Rural Services*	miles	120,028,667	122,962,188r	9,806,215	9,295,675r	11,446,267
	km	193 167 415	197 888 459r	15 781 573	14 959 939r	18 420 981
Urban-Suburban Services	miles	393,436	306,657	25,507	25,738	25,647
	km	633 173	493 517	41 050	41 421	41 275
Other Services (e.g. charter)	miles	13,241,260	13,764,864r	1,350,773	740,175r	620,628
	km	21 309 742	22 152 401r	2 173 858	1 191 196r	998 804
Fuel Consumed:						
Diesel Oil	gal.	19,191,755	20,029,540r	1,614,274r	1,479,922r	1,837,967
	litres	87 247 445	91 056 091r	7 338 635r	6 727 859r	8 355 563
Gasoline	gals.	15,874	91,433r	10,842r	6,995r	10,977
	litres	72 164	415 663r	49 289r	31 800r	49 993

r Revised figures.

* Includes charter operations of one intercity bus company.

** One carrier sold his business as of March 1976.

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural), December 1977 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily

The accompanying table contains statistics on passenger bus carriers earning \$500,000 or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations. Cumulative data for the year serves as preliminary information on a significant portion of the industry until definitive annual statistics are available. Figures have been added showing total distance run and fuel consumed, using the International System of Units. This is the most modern version of the metric system, supported by the International Bureau of Weights and Measures. It is the system of units which Canada is adopting.

The following observations apply to the data in this release:

- Data relating to other services such as charter or contract are specific to the surveyed passenger bus carriers and are not indicative of over-all charter and contract operations.
- Passenger paying a fare to the operator of one vehicle and travelling on a second or third vehicle on a transfer are counted for the first vehicle only.
- Total distance run in a revenue service includes distance run empty which was necessary to provide the revenue service.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-996-9274), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Urban Transit, December 1977 — Advance Information

In December, 38 urban transit systems collected 101,055,934 initial passenger fares. The total distance run was 31,122,257 miles (50 086 418 km) and their operating revenues amounted to \$34,198,696.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-996-9274), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6 or order the December issue of *Urban Transit* (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50).

Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, 1977 — Advance Information

Sales of farm implements and equipment (including repair parts) for all 1977 were valued at \$1,236.9 million, a decrease of 4.0% from the 1976 figure of \$1,288.8 million.

Repair parts for 1977 had a value of \$160.2 million compared with \$154.7 million in 1976.

For further information, order the December issue of *Farm Implement and Equipment Sales* (63-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact the Merchandising and Services Division (613-996-9307), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings, December 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian railways loaded 17.8 million short tons (16.2 million t) of revenue freight in December, a decline of 0.6% from the corresponding month in 1976. Goods received by rail from the United States at 1.5 million short tons (1.4 million t) were down 16.7%.

During December, tonnages of animal products loaded were down 14.1%; forest products declined 3.9%; manufactured and miscellaneous products decreased 1.9%; and mine products were 1.5% below the 1976 level. Agricultural products — led by a 13.2% gain in wheat loadings — rose by 7.5%.

In the year 1977, rail freight loadings in Canada totalled 251.1 million short tons (227.8 million t), 4.1% above the 1976 level. Rail receipts from U.S. connections were down 5.6%.

During 1977, gains were recorded in four of the five major industry-oriented commodity groups. Agricultural products were up 9.8%; forest products rose by 6.3%; mine products increased 3.6%; and manufactured and miscellaneous goods were 0.8% higher. Animal products, due to a sharp 34.1% decline in livestock movements, fell 17.4%.

For further information, order the December issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-001, 30¢/\$3), or, for seasonally-adjusted revenue freight loadings, contact L.E. Robbins or R.J. Staveley (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Operating Statistics, November 1977 — Advance Information

The six major railways in Canada reported combined net income of \$23.1 million in November, a decrease of 9.7% from \$25.6 million in November 1976. Operating revenues were up 4.4% to \$289.5 million, while operating expenses rose 5.9% to \$266.4 million. The ratio of operating expenses to operating revenues was 90.25% compared to 87.72% in November 1976.

Freight ton-miles in the latest month registered a 3.5% decline, while freight train-miles advanced by 13.5%. Freight car-miles were down 4.2%. Passenger-miles (excluding those generated by "GO Transit") decreased 3.7% with both commuter and non-commuter services sharing in the decline.

In the first 11 months of 1977, railway operating revenues of the six lines were 10.8% above those of January-November 1976; expenses were 7.4% higher; and net railway operating income was 96.0% above the previous-year level. This increase in net income was due mainly to a significant improvement in Canadian National results.

Cumulative freight ton-miles increased 4.3% and passenger-miles were 0.6% ahead of the 1976 pace.

For further information, order the November issue of *Railway Operating Statistics* (52-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact L.E. Robbins or R.J. Staveley (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Motor Vehicle Manufacturers, 1976 — Advance Information

Motor vehicle manufacturers shipped \$7,071.0 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 17.4% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 3.9% to \$1,826.1 million, the number of employees increased 4.0% to 47,078 and total salaries and wages increased 17.3% to \$783.9 million.

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Motor Vehicle Manufacturers, 1976* (42-209, 70¢).

Motor Vehicle Production, December 1977 — Advance Information

Production of passenger cars totalled 82,173 units in December compared to 89,588 in December 1976. January to December production was 1,162,519 units in 1977 compared to 1,137,313 in 1976.

Production of all commercial vehicles totalled 49,294 units in December compared to 41,522 in December 1976. Production for all 1977 was 612,926 units compared to 502,799 for 1976.

For further information, order the December issue of *Motor Vehicle Shipments* (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Asphalt Roofing Manufacturers, 1976 — Advance Information

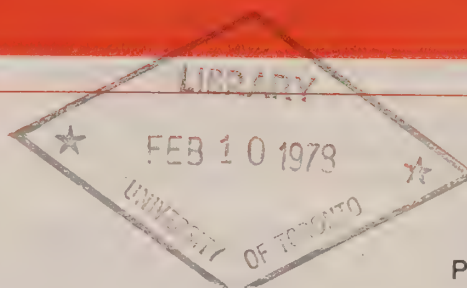
Manufacturers of asphalt roofing products shipped \$148.3 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 22.2% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 17.4% to \$62.7 million, the number of employees increased 7.7% to 1,549 and total salaries and wages increased 18.3% to 20.7 million.

For further information, contact Mr. G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Asphalt Roofing Manufacturers, 1976* (36-205, 70¢).

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Exports by Commodities, November 1977 (65-004, 80¢/\$8)

Canada's International Investment Position, 1974 (67-202, \$2.10)

Telephone Statistics, November 1977 (56-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Consumption of Purchased Fuel and Electricity by the Manufacturing, Mining and Electric Power Industries, 1975 (57-208, \$1.05)

Shipments of Prepared Stock and Poultry Feeds, November 1977 (32-004, 40¢/\$4)

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Service Bulletins:

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 10, Pack of Processed Corn, 1977

Fabricated Metal Products (41-009, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 6, December 1977: No. 61, Builders and Shelf Hardware; No. 62, Oil Filters and Cartridges

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, December 1977 — Advance Information

Preliminary statistics for December show that 1.5 million United States visitors entered Canada, down 0.3% from December 1976. Canadian residents returning from the U.S. decreased 1.4% in December to 2.2 million. Visitors from other countries entering Canada decreased 1.9% to 68,600 while Canadian travellers returning from these countries increased by 7.0% to 81,800.

On a yearly basis, the number of U.S. visitors entering Canada in 1977 totalled 31.8 million, down 1.4% from the previous year. Canadians returning from the U.S. increased throughout most of 1977 to produce an annual total of 37.9 million, 5.5% higher than in 1976. In 1977, visitors from all other countries decreased 9.7% to 1.4 million while the number of Canadians returning from these countries totalled 1.8 million, up by 12.3%.

For further information, order the December issue of *International Travel — Advance Information* (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. M.W. Valiquette (613-995-0847), International Travel Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Freight Traffic, Third Quarter 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian railways hauled 71.5 million short tons (64.8 million t) of revenue freight in the July-September period of 1977, an increase of 1.6% over the corresponding 1976 quarter.

Increased traffic was recorded in three of the seven major categories of freight carried: food, feed, beverages and tobacco, up 16.2%; fabricated materials, up 5.8%; and less-than-carload (l.c.l.) shipments of goods and small package freight, up 0.2%. The small live animals category registered the largest percentage decrease (-41.3%) and declines were also shown for end products (-13.3%), special traffic (-3.7%) and crude materials (-2.2%).

Loadings in Canada (excluding all receipts from connections) showed a gain of 2.0% in the latest quarter. Provinces registering decreases in volume were: Newfoundland (-8.0%); Prince Edward Island (-36.6%); Quebec (-2.2%); Ontario (-5.3%); Manitoba (-1.3%); and British Columbia (-1.1%). Rail freight loadings in Nova Scotia were up 36.8% and increases occurred in New Brunswick (up 1.1%), Saskatchewan (up 24.7%), Alberta (up 6.7%) and the Territories (up 32.4%).

Traffic received from United States connections in the third quarter of 1977 was down 2.8%.

For further information, order the third quarter issue of *Railway Freight Traffic* (52-002, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact L.E. Robbins or R.J. Staveley (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Salt, December 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian shipments of salt and salt content of brine decreased to 746,403 short tons in December from 806,326 short tons in December 1976. This brought output for all 1977 to 6,656,504 short tons, up from 6,607,275 short tons in 1976.

For further information, order the December issue of *Salt* (26-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Asbestos, December 1977 — Advance Information

Producer's shipments of asbestos decreased to 141,826 short tons in December from 152,975 short tons in December 1976. Producers' shipments for all 1977 decreased marginally to 1,681,719 short tons from 1,693,250 in 1976.

For further information, order the December issue of *Asbestos* (26-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, December 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of refrigerators decreased to 37,629 units in December from 40,542 a year earlier, while month-end stocks rose to 84,589 units from 79,394. Domestic sales of home and farm freezers decreased to 13,786 units from 14,145 and month-end stocks dropped to 33,188 units from 58,674.

For further information, order the December issue of *Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers* (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, December 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of automatic washing machines were 26,653 units in December, down from 29,669 in December 1976. Conventional washing machine sales were 3,179 units compared to 4,245. Canadian sales of electric clothes dryers were 27,423 units compared to 30,820.

For further information, order the December issue of *Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers* (43-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Inventory Accounting Methods in Manufacturing Industries, 1975

Just as the choice of one of several professionally acceptable accounting methods for valuing a firm's inventory has a significant effect on its balance sheet, knowledge of the methods used to determine the aggregate book values of inventory in each industry is essential to calculate the value of physical change and the inventory valuation adjustment components of Canada's Gross National Product.

A new publication, *Inventory Accounting Methods in Manufacturing Industries 1975*, contains the results of a survey undertaken to support the underlying calculations of these GNP inventory change values. Of potential interest to professional accountants as well, it illustrates the proportions of book values of manufacturers' inventory which have been derived by the application of various accounting procedures and definitions.

Data are expressed as proportionate percentages of inventory values represented by response from each industry for inventory as a whole and each of the four categories of stocks common to most firms: raw materials; goods in process; finished products; and goods purchased for re-sale.

The detail by category and industry shows the proportions which depend for their book value on different cost selection methods such as first-in, first-out (FIFO), last-in, first-out (LIFO), average cost and others. Other tables in the publication indicate the

proportions which were valued at cost, lower of cost or market, and market, and the proportions classified according to respondent dependence on one of a variety of definitions of cost. Also included is a tabulation of turnover periods by industry expressed in terms of the average number of weeks' supply of stock on hand in each category and in total.

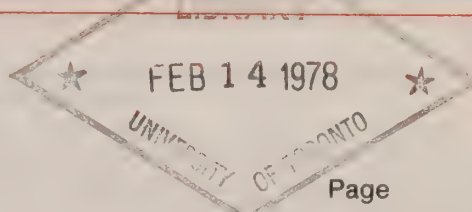
The survey determined prevailing inventory accounting practices in 3,900 establishments whose book value of stocks represented about two-thirds of all manufacturers' inventory in 1973.

For further information, order *Inventory Accounting Methods in Manufacturing Industries, 1975* (31-524, \$2.10), or contact Richard Dornan (613-996-7008), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables, November 1977 (32-011, 30¢/\$3)

The Sugar Situation, December 1977 (32-013, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Hardboard, December 1977 (36-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletin:

Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile (47-001, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 12, Floor Tiles, December 1977

Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing

(1971=100)

	Relative Importance(1)	Index		Percent Change		Percent Contribution to Total Change	
		Dec.* 1977	Nov.* 1977	Dec. 1976	Dec./77 Nov./77	Dec./77 Nov./77	Dec./77 Dec./76
Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing	100.0	177.8	177.5	165.6	0.2	7.4	100.0 100.0
SIC Major Groups:							
1. Food and Beverage Industries	19.9	190.8	189.3	174.6	0.8	9.3	116.3 26.4
2. Tobacco Products Industries	1.1	145.2	143.1	x	1.5	x	9.3 x
3. Rubber and Plastics Products Industries	2.5	151.3	151.0	143.6	0.2	5.4	3.0 1.6
4. Leather Industries	0.9	177.3	176.0	163.0	0.7	8.8	4.5 1.0
5. Textile Industries	3.5	152.6	152.4	145.4	0.1	5.0	2.8 2.1
6. Knitting Mills	0.9	133.7	133.7	127.3	0.0	5.0	0.0 0.5
8. Wood Industries	4.7	199.0	196.7	175.4	1.2	13.5	42.5 9.2
9. Furniture and Fixture Industries	1.6	176.4	176.9	167.0	-0.3	5.6	-3.1 1.2
10. Paper and Allied Industries	8.2	194.5	196.6	188.1	-1.1	3.4	-67.1 4.3
12. Primary Metal Industries	8.4	194.4	195.0	180.6	-0.3	7.6	-19.5 9.4
13. Metal Fabricating Industries	7.5	176.2	176.1	164.6	0.1	7.0	2.9 7.1
14. Machinery Industries	4.4	162.0	161.9	154.7	0.1	4.7	1.7 2.6
16. Electrical Products Industries	6.8	149.2	149.1	142.5	0.1	4.7	2.6 3.7
17. Non-Metallic Mineral Products Industries	3.2	180.4	179.7	165.8	0.4	8.8	8.7 3.8
18. Petroleum and Coal Products Industries	4.2	237.1	237.1	226.3	0.0	4.8	0.0 3.7
19. Chemical and Chemical Products Industries	6.6	180.5	180.8	170.0	-0.2	6.2	-7.7 5.7
Other Major Groups(2)	15.6	152.0	151.9	x	0.0	x	3.2 x

* These indexes are preliminary.

(1) Group weights are based on 1971 value of shipments (Census of Manufacturers, 1971).

(2) Included are the following major groups: 7. Clothing Industries, 15. Transportation Equipment Industries, 20. Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries.

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Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing (1971=100), December 1977 — Advance Information

The Industry Selling Price Index for manufacturing rose 0.2% to 177.8 in December from its revised November level of 177.5. The index was 7.4% higher than in December 1976 when it stood at 165.6. The major groups having the most effect on the total index in December were food and beverage industries (up 0.8%), wood industries (up 1.2%), paper and allied industries (down 1.1%) and primary metal industries (down 0.3%).

The rise shown by the food and beverage index was due largely to price increases of 1.8% for slaughtering and meat processors, 8.1% for cane and beet sugar processors, 0.7% for dairy products, 1.2% for feed and 1.2% for fish products. The increase in the wood

products index occurred largely on account of a 2.2% rise in sawmills and planing mills.

A price decrease of 1.4% for pulp and paper mills was mainly responsible for the decline in the paper and allied products index. The decline shown by the primary metals index was attributable primarily to a decrease of 1.1% for smelting and refining.

Radio Air-time Sales, September 1977 — Advance Information

Gross national AM and FM radio air-time sales totalled \$6.5 million in September, an increase of 16.1% from \$5.6 million in September 1976. Agency and other commissions reduced gross national sales to \$5.5 million, up 14.6% from \$4.8 million.

Net local air-time sales rose 10.7% to \$15.5 million in September from \$14.0 million a year earlier.

Gross radio air-time sales for 1977 to date were reported at \$195.9 million compared to \$175.5 million for 1976, an increase of 11.6%. Net sales rose 7.5% to \$181.9 million from \$169.2 million.

For further information, order the September issue of *Radio Broadcasting* (56-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact P.T. Crosby (613-996-9274), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Tobacco Products Manufacturers, 1976 — Advance Information

Tobacco products manufacturers shipped \$656.8 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 12.9% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 7.8% to \$368.6 million, the number of employees decreased 3.5% to 8,076 and total salaries and wages increased 8.7% to \$115.4 million.

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Tobacco Products Industries*, 1976 (32-225, 70¢).

Breweries, 1976 — Advance Information

Breweries shipped \$736.1 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 6.1% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 3.7% to \$493.6 million, the number of employees decreased 0.2% to 11,632 and total salaries and wages increased 12.9% to \$194.6 million.

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Breweries*, 1976 (32-205, 70¢).

Department Store Sales by Regions, December 1977

Department store sales totalled \$1,049.8 million in December, an increase of 7.6% from a year earlier. Sales were up in all regions of Canada.

Department store sales by regions for the latest month, with percentage gains over December 1976 in brackets:

- Ontario, \$404.0 million (8.5%).
- Quebec, \$197.1 million (6.4%).
- British Columbia, \$156.9 million (6.8%).
- Alberta, \$129.3 million (6.8%).
- Atlantic Provinces, \$73.9 million (9.5%).
- Manitoba, \$58.8 million (7.9%).
- Saskatchewan, \$29.7 million (5.5%).

For further information, order the December issue of *Department Store Sales by Regions* (63-004, \$1.50 a year), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Orthopaedic and Surgical Appliance Manufacturers, 1976 — Advance Information

Orthopaedic and surgical appliance manufacturers shipped \$13.9 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 8.2% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 11.2% to \$10.9 million, the number of employees increased 8.7% to 524 and total salaries and wages increased 19.9% to \$5.4 million.

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Scientific and Professional Equipment Industries*, 1976 (47-206, \$1.05).

Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, October 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian mills shipped 236,197,000 square feet (21 942 000 m²) 3/8" (9.525 mm) basis of softwood plywood in October, up from 205,699,000 square feet (19 110 000 m²) in October 1976.

Shipments of hardwood plywood amounted to 33,005,000 square feet (3 066 000 m²) surface measure for October, an increase of 24.7% over October 1976.

For further information, order the October issue of *Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods* (35-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended February 4, 1978 — Advance Information

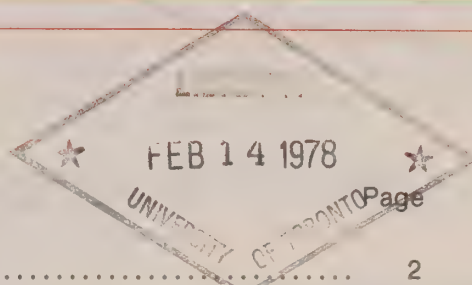
Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended February 4 was 305,012 short tons (276 702 t), an increase of 2.0% from the preceding week's total of 299,005 short tons (271 253 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was 269,772 tons (244 733 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 166.5 in the current week, 163.2 a week earlier and 147.2 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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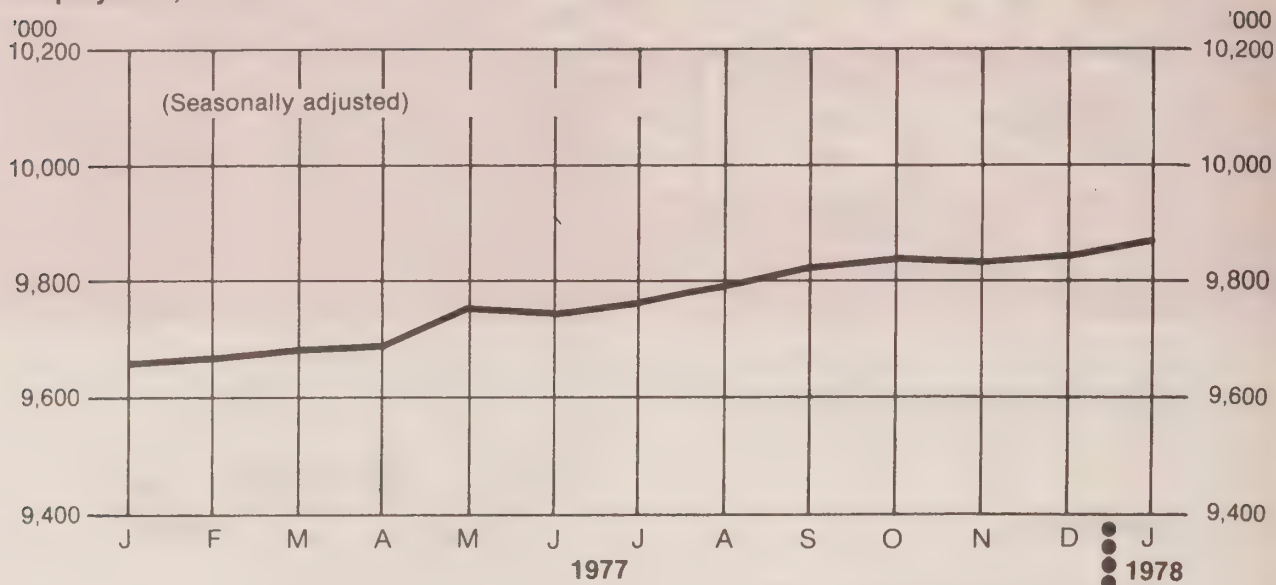
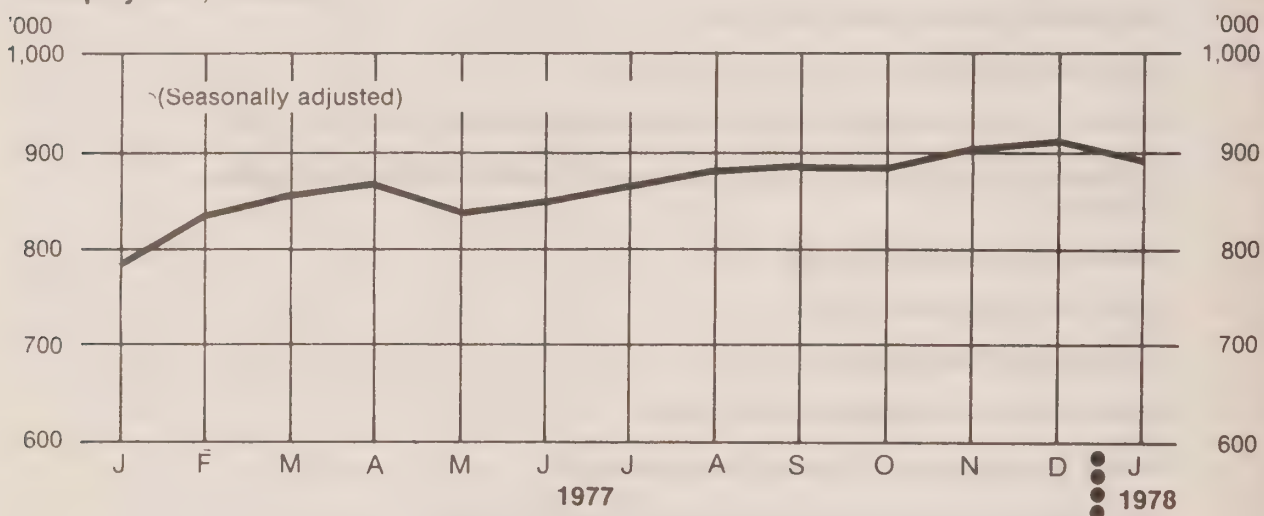
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Electrical Products (43-007, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 30, Electric Lamps, December 1977

Employment, Canada**Unemployment, Canada****The Labour Force, January 1978**

Canada's seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate decreased to 8.3% in January from 8.5% in December. The rate in January 1977 was 7.5%.

The adjusted employment level reached 9,866,000 in January, up 24,000 from December. Unemployment stood at 891,000, a decrease of 20,000 from the previous month.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, employment increased in January by 26,000 for women (15,000 for women aged 15-24 and 11,000 for women 25 and over). The level for men showed little change from December.

The adjusted unemployment level declined for men 15-24 (-9,000), for men 25 and over (-4,000) and for women 25 and over (-8,000). The level increased slightly for women 15-24.

Seasonally-adjusted January unemployment rates for the provinces, with December rates in brackets: Newfoundland 16.0% (17.0%); Prince Edward Island 10.7% (11.1%); Nova Scotia 10.7% (10.2%); New Brunswick 12.7% (14.0%); Quebec 11.4% (11.3%); Ontario 6.9% (7.0%); Manitoba 6.2% (6.2%); Saskat-

chewan 5.4% (5.0%); Alberta 4.2% (4.5%); and British Columbia 8.7% (8.6%).

Without seasonal adjustment, the January labour force was 10,469,000 with 9,478,000 employed and 991,000 unemployed for an unemployment rate of 9.5%. In December, the labour force was 10,612,000 with 9,729,000 employed and 882,000 unemployed for a rate of 8.3%. In January 1977, the labour force numbered 10,144,000 with 9,255,000 employed and 889,000 unemployed for a rate of 8.8%.

For further information, order the January issue of *The Labour Force* (71-001, 55¢/\$5.50).

New Motor Vehicle Sales, December 1977 — Advance Information

New motor vehicles sold in December totalled 79,768 units, down 14.0% from a year earlier. This included 44,654 passenger cars (down 24.9%) and 21,573 commercial vehicles (down 7.3%) manufactured in Canada and the U.S., and 12,508 passenger cars (up 36.2%) and 1,033 commercial vehicles (up 21.1%) manufactured overseas.

Total sales value decreased 7.4% to \$539.6 million. Canadian and U.S. passenger cars sold for \$284.9 million (down 20.5%) and commercial vehicles for \$184.9 million (up 5.6%). Sales of passenger cars from overseas increased 40.4% to \$64.1 million and those of commercial vehicles increased 43.7% to \$5.7 million. Included in total commercial vehicles sold were 272 units of coaches and buses valued at \$9.7 million.

Seasonally-adjusted December sales of passenger cars manufactured in Canada and the U.S. decreased 14.4% from November to 55,665 units and those of passenger cars from overseas increased 18.8% to 19,178 units. Similarly-adjusted sales of all commercial vehicles were down 10.9% to 28,081 units.

For the year 1977, total sales reached 1,344,946 units (1,291,463 in 1976), with an accumulated value of \$8,543.8 million. This represented an increase of 10.2% in value over sales for 1976.

For further information, order the December issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, 30¢/\$3), or contact M. Kwilecki (613-996-9304), Retail Trade Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies, November 1977 — Advance Information

Production of lumber in sawmills east of the Rockies increased in November to 512,000,000 feet board measure (1 208 184 m3) from a revised 441,534,000 feet board measure (1 041 904 m3) in November 1976. Stocks on hand at the end of November totalled 867,213,000 feet board measure (2 046 394 m3).

For further information, order the November issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies* (35-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stoves and Ranges, December 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of electric stoves and ranges in December decreased 26.8% to 29,475 units from 40,284 in December 1976. Closing inventory of these products decreased 19.0% to 72,210 units from 89,184 a year earlier.

For further information, order the December issue of *Stoves and Furnaces* (41-005, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Farm Cash Receipts, January-December 1977 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates indicate that during the year 1977 farmers' total cash receipts from farming operations in all provinces except Newfoundland totalled \$10,070.9 million compared to the \$9,975.0 million realized in 1976. These estimates include: cash receipts from the sale of farm products; Canadian Wheat Board participation payments on previous years' grain crops; cash advances on farm-stored grains in Western Canada; and deficiency payments made by the Agricultural Stabilization Board. No deduction is made for the cost incurred by farmers in the production of the commodities sold.

For further information, order the December issue of *Farm Cash Receipts* (21-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact G. Andrusiak (613-994-9876), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Total Cash Receipts from Farming Operations

January-December
(millions of dollars)

	1976	1977
Prince Edward Island	104.8	90.6
Nova Scotia	124.0	129.1
New Brunswick	114.0	106.6
Quebec	1,359.8	1,428.5
Ontario	2,769.9	2,855.0
Manitoba	897.2	892.1
Saskatchewan	2,286.2	2,107.2
Alberta	1,847.6	1,968.2
British Columbia	471.5	493.6
Canada	9,975.0	10,070.9

Fibre Processing Mills, 1976 — Advance Information

Fibre processing mills shipped \$26.9 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 15.5% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 16.3% to \$12.3 million, the number of employees increased 5.2% to 724 and total salaries and wages increased 17.8% to \$6.9 million.

For further information, contact Mr. Elliott Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Felt and Fibre Processing Mills*, 1976 (34-219, 70¢).

Cordage and Twine Industry, 1976 — Advance Information

The cordage and twine industry shipped \$17.8 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, down 28.9% from 1975. Total value added by the industry decreased 38.6% to \$8.8 million, the number of employees decreased 10% to 630 and total salaries and wages decreased 4.0% to \$6.1 million.

For further information, contact Mr. Elliott Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Cordage and Twine Industry*, 1976 (34-203, 70¢).

Weekly Security Price Indexes

February 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	Feb. 3/78 This week	Jan. 27/78 Week ago	Jan. 6/78 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	96.6	96.7	100.2
Industrials	85	90.6	90.4	94.6
Foods	9	98.9	97.9	102.1
Alcoholic beverages	5	79.8	78.8	81.9
Textiles and clothing	3	121.4	119.0	123.1
Pulp and paper	7	114.5	110.9	113.5
Printing and publishing	5	92.1	92.0	94.8
Primary metals	4	96.5	95.8	100.9
Industrial mines	6	63.7	64.1	69.1
Metal fabricating	9	171.2	170.0	176.3
Non-metallic minerals	4	99.5	97.7	94.9
Petroleum	8	99.9	101.0	105.9
Chemicals	5	101.9	101.2	102.8
Construction	5	271.9	274.5	284.2
Trade	15	79.9	79.6	80.9
Utilities and services	28	101.9	102.7	105.0
Transportation	6	125.1	125.9	129.2
Pipelines	5	89.4	89.8	91.3
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	106.1	106.7	107.3
Telephone	4	106.3	107.1	108.9
Electric power	3	132.1	134.5	138.0
Gas distribution	5	84.7	86.1	89.1
Finances	21	118.3	118.8	120.7
Banks	8	118.1	118.8	120.7
Investment and loan	9	115.9	116.3	118.3
Insurance	4	132.2	131.0	133.8
Mining Index	17	125.8	128.5	129.7
Gold	9	278.4	285.9	282.5
Base metals	8	52.7	53.0	56.5
Uraniums	2	178.5	179.3	185.0
Primary oils and gas index	5	128.7	132.1	133.5

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Commercial Trailer Manufacturers, 1976 — Advance Information

Commercial trailer manufacturers shipped \$110.3 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, down 5.7% from 1975. Total value added by the industry decreased 4.1% to \$53.8 million, the number of employees decreased 3.7% to 2,770 and total salaries and wages increased 5.5% to \$36.5 million.

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Truck Body and Trailer Manufacturers, 1976* (42-217, 70¢).

Sound Recordings and Musical Instruments, 1976 — Advance Information

The sound recordings and musical instruments manufacturing industry shipped \$91.6 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 10.4% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 4.7% to \$65.6 million, the number of employees increased 4.9% to 2,447 and total salaries and wages increased 23.8% to \$26.2 million.

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries

Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries, 1976* (47-205, \$1.40).

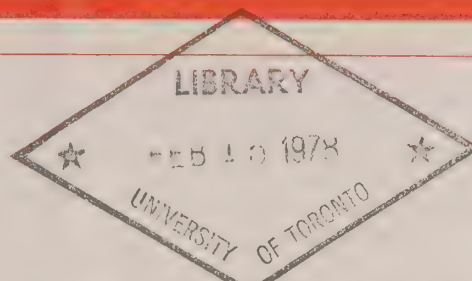
Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather, December 1977 — Advance Information

In December, packers, dealers and tanners held 229,970 cattle hides, down from 252,379 a year earlier, and 108,834 calf and kip skins, up from 93,710. Cattle hide receipts decreased to 162,062 from 176,753 and wettings decreased to 168,485 from 170,591.

For further information, order the December issue of *Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather* (33-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Miscellaneous Industries (47-003, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 4, Papermakers and Other Felts, Quarter Ended December 31, 1977

Business Conditions Survey, Manufacturing Industries, January 1978

Canadian manufacturers appear to be more optimistic about production for the first three months of 1978 than they were for the three months ending in December, according to the January business conditions survey. Results show 28% of the weighted response expect a higher volume of production from January through March compared with 22% that expect output to decline. Comparable expectations from last October's survey showed 26% anticipated higher production in the last quarter of 1977 and 24% lower. (Management is asked to allow for normal seasonal conditions when responding).

The level of new orders was reported to be rising by 24% of the response and declining by 22%. In October, comparable indications were 19% rising and 23% declining. The January backlog of unfilled orders was higher than normal for 14%, a 5% improvement from October. Those reporting that their backlog was lower than normal accounted for 28% of the response in both periods.

Queried about the level of their finished products inventory, 19% of the January response, the same proportion as in October, indicated that it was too high and just 4% that it was too low. The remainder considered the level of finished stocks on hand to be about right.

Reflecting relatively high unemployment rates, just 6% of the response cited a shortage of skilled labour as a source of production difficulties, compared with 9% three months earlier. There was very little change over the period in the proportions reporting other forms of impediments to production and 86% indicated that no difficulties or bottlenecks were being experienced.

As in October, there was a wide spread in production expectations of different manufacturing groups when results were classified by economic use or type of market served by the producer. Greatest optimism for the current quarter was expressed in the export-based industries where 43% of the total of the weighted response expected increased output and just 11% foresaw a decline. October figures showed 33% anticipated higher production in the last quarter and 14%, lower. On the other hand, just 20% of the response from durable consumer goods industries indicated that they expected higher production in the first quarter of 1978, and 43% expected that it would decline. Comparable predictions for the last three months of 1977, compiled from the October survey, were evenly balanced at 31% higher, 31% lower, with the rest foreseeing no change.

Response to the January survey was from management representing more than 6,400 establishments whose shipments account for more than 50% of the value of all Canadian manufacturing shipments. Answers were weighted by attaching to each the value of shipments reported to the 1975 Census of Manufactures by the establishments represented by the response. (The revision of all previous results by a change to 1975 from 1974 census values as weights has created some minor changes in proportions from those previously published; a further adjustment, influencing October 1977 data published here, reflects

inclusion of response received too late for the first release of results from that survey). Percentages are the proportions of weighted response that indicated a specified condition (e.g. "too high", "too low", or "about right") in answer to each question.

The quarterly survey is conducted by the Shipments, Inventories and Orders Section (613-996-7008), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Automobile Fabric Accessories Industry, 1976 — Advance Information

The automobile fabric accessories industry shipped \$305.5 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 34.5 from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 39.0% to \$138.2 million, the number of employees increased 14.7% to 5,557 and total salaries and wages increased 29.8% to \$73.4 million.

For further information, contact Mr. Elliott Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Automobile Fabric Accessories Industry, 1976* (34-222, 70¢).

Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers, December 1977 — Advance Information

Producers' trade and industrial sales of paints, varnishes and lacquers totalled \$25,850,452 in December compared to \$24,069,797 in December 1976.

For further information, order the December issue of *Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers* (46-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Biscuit Manufacturers, 1976 — Advance Information

Biscuit manufacturers shipped \$279.5 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 3.0% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 7.5% to \$152.6 million, the number of employees decreased 2.7% to 7,504 and total salaries and wages increased 7.7% to \$80.6 million.

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Biscuit Manufacturers, 1976* (32-202, 70¢).

Business Conditions Survey, Canadian Manufacturing Industries

January, 1978

Date	Expected production, next 3 months compared to last 3			New Orders Level			Unfilled Orders Backlog			Finished Product Inventory			Sources of Production Difficulties						
	Higher	Lower	About Same	Rising	Declining	About Same	Higher than Normal	Lower than Normal	About Normal	Too High	Too Low	About Right	Working Capital	Shortages					
														Skilled Labour	Unskilled Labour	Raw Materials	Other Difficulties	No Difficulties	
Percentage of weighted response																			
All Manufacturing Industries																			
Jan./77	25	29	45	22	29	49	6	37	58	21	3	75	5	10	1	9	2	76	
Apr./77	35	18	47	24	26	50	6	33	61	23	3	74	5	7	1	4	3	83	
July/77	21	33	46	20	27	53	8	33	59	23	4	73	4	8	1	3	3	84	
Oct./77	26	24	50	19	23	59	9	28	63	19	6	75	4	9	1	4	3	82	
Jan./78	28	22	51	24	22	54	14	28	57	19	4	77	3	6	1	4	2	86	
Large Establishments																			
Jan./77	26	29	45	22	29	49	6	37	58	22	3	75	4	10	1	9	2	76	
Apr./77	35	18	47	24	26	50	6	33	61	23	3	74	5	7	1	4	3	83	
July/77	21	33	46	20	27	53	8	33	59	23	4	73	4	8	1	3	3	84	
Oct./77	26	24	50	19	23	59	9	28	63	19	6	75	4	9	1	4	3	83	
Jan./78	28	21	51	24	22	54	14	28	57	19	4	77	3	6	1	4	2	86	
Small Establishments																			
Jan./77	19	35	46	18	34	47	9	39	52	15	8	77	14	18	3	6	1	66	
Apr./77	30	25	45	19	32	49	9	38	54	15	7	78	15	16	2	6	2	67	
July/77	24	27	50	26	29	46	13	34	53	13	9	77	13	18	2	5	1	69	
Oct./77	23	34	43	24	29	47	13	30	57	11	10	79	15	18	2	7	1	66	
Jan./78	21	32	47	21	31	48	10	34	56	13	8	79	13	16	2	6	1	70	
Durable Consumer Goods																			
Jan./77	21	49	31	10	44	46	5	62	33	49	3	47	8	9	2	1	1	80	
Apr./77	32	32	35	21	33	46	8	50	42	51	4	46	12	6	1	3	9	73	
July/77	28	32	41	26	43	32	9	50	41	48	3	49	13	9	1	2	2	76	
Oct./77	31	31	37	31	18	51	20	27	53	38	4	58	12	10	3	2	3	75	
Jan./78	20	43	38	16	38	46	6	42	51	40	2	57	8	10	1	5	4	77	
Non-Durable Consumer Goods																			
Jan./77	21	30	49	24	17	59	5	22	73	12	4	84	3	9	1	8	4	78	
Apr./77	31	15	53	20	21	59	4	22	74	18	3	79	6	8	1	7	3	79	
July/77	28	16	56	19	15	66	4	15	82	21	3	76	3	10	2	6	4	81	
Oct./77	26	25	49	26	14	59	7	15	78	12	5	83	4	9	2	6	1	81	
Jan./78	22	26	52	20	14	66	5	17	78	15	5	80	3	7	1	7	3	82	
Machinery and Equipment																			
Jan./77	20	39	42	18	49	34	12	48	40	26	2	72	3	16	1	2	2	79	
Apr./77	28	35	37	18	44	38	10	51	39	21	3	76	3	10	0	2	2	85	
July/77	27	32	41	30	36	34	15	47	38	24	3	74	6	14	0	1	2	78	
Oct./77	31	18	51	27	32	41	20	41	39	23	9	69	4	15	2	5	2	77	
Jan./78	25	20	55	36	32	32	25	31	44	19	2	79	3	19	1	3	4	75	
Construction Materials and Supplies																			
Jan./77	15	43	42	15	48	38	5	50	45	26	5	69	5	10	2	2	2	81	
Apr./77	30	30	40	22	48	29	4	64	32	22	6	72	8	12	1	2	3	78	
July/77	24	29	47	19	36	45	8	51	41	27	10	62	5	12	1	2	1	82	
Oct./77	20	40	39	17	39	45	8	50	41	17	10	73	5	12	1	3	1	81	
Jan./78	16	42	43	14	41	46	7	45	49	25	10	65	3	7	1	3	2	86	
Other Intermediate Goods																			
Jan./77	21	28	52	18	31	52	7	41	52	17	3	80	7	9	1	1	1	83	
Apr./77	32	17	51	28	25	47	9	24	67	21	4	75	3	7	1	3	4	84	
July/77	16	35	49	23	34	43	10	33	57	17	4	79	2	7	1	1	5	86	
Oct./77	20	26	53	15	22	62	9	22	69	16	8	75	2	8	2	2	5	84	
Jan./78	28	17	55	16	19	65	6	26	68	15	3	82	2	4	2	4	1	89	

Business Conditions Survey, Canadian Manufacturing Industries (Continued)

January, 1978

Date	Expected production, next 3 months compared to last 3			New Orders Level		Unfilled Orders Backlog			Finished Product Inventory			Sources of Production Difficulties						
	Higher	Lower	About Same	Rising	Declining	About Same	Higher than Normal	Lower than Normal	About Normal	Too High	Too Low	About Right	Working Capital	Skilled Labour	Unskilled Labour	Raw Materials	Other Difficulties	No Difficulties
Percentage of weighted response																		
Export-Based Industries																		
Jan./77	46	16	38	32	22	46	2	27	71	30	2	68	3	9	1	30	1	59
Apr./77	47	9	44	27	14	59	2	30	68	25	2	73	4	3	1	4	2	89
July/77	13	56	31	13	20	68	5	30	65	26	3	72	4	4	0	3	1	91
Oct./77	33	14	53	8	23	69	2	33	65	25	2	73	6	5	0	3	3	85
Jan./78	43	11	46	41	21	38	36	28	36	22	3	75	3	3	0	3	1	91

Note: The survey reflects management's opinion of expected production, current orders and inventory levels, and also current sources of production difficulties. Respondents were asked to allow for normal seasonal fluctuations. Individual replies were weighted by the value of the respondent's shipments as reported to the Census of Manufactures; these weighted replies were then summed and expressed as a percentage of all similarly weighted response to the particular question. Because of rounding and inclusion of reports indicating more than one source of difficulty, category totals may differ from 100%.

Wholesale Price Indexes

(1935-39=100)

	% Change					
	Dec. 1977*	Nov. 1977*	Dec. 1976	Nov. 1976	Dec./77 Nov./77	Dec./77 Dec./76
General wholesale index	572.1	571.5	525.2	515.0	0.1	8.9
Vegetable products	496.0	499.1	447.6	438.7	-0.6	10.8
Animal products	611.4	598.3	542.2	536.6	2.2	12.8
Textile products	469.7	470.5	465.6	461.4	-0.2	0.9
Wood products	819.9	821.0	738.9	699.8	-0.1	10.7
Iron products	612.3	612.4	576.0	575.4	-0.0	6.3
Non-ferrous metals including gold	496.2	502.4	461.2	453.4	-1.2	7.6
Non-metallic minerals	478.8	479.1	444.9	444.0	-0.1	7.6
Chemical products	414.3	411.0	394.0	393.0	0.8	5.2
Summary indexes						
Iron products and non-ferrous metals excluding gold	660.5	664.2	619.3	613.9	-0.6	6.7
Raw and partly manufactured goods	523.5	528.1	481.1	471.3	-0.9	8.8
Fully and chiefly manufactured goods	598.0	594.3	549.0	538.8	0.6	8.9

* These indexes are preliminary.

General Wholesale Price Index (1935-39=100), December 1977 — Advance Information

The General Wholesale Index rose 0.1% to 572.1 in December from its revised November level of 571.5. The index was 8.9% higher than in December 1976 when it stood at 525.2. The major groups having the most effect on the total index in December were animal products (up 2.2%), vegetable products (down 0.6%) and non-ferrous metals (down 1.2%).

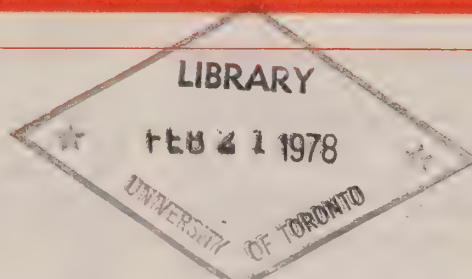
The increase in the animal products index was attributable largely to price increases of 5.0% for fresh meats, 1.9% for livestock and 2.7% for fish.

The lower vegetable products index reflected price decreases of 4.3% for grains — the most heavily-weighted commodity in the group — and 24.8% for fresh fruit. Sugar and its products showed a partially-offsetting increase of 5.8%.

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Summary of External Trade, December 1977 (65-001, 40¢/\$4)

Farm Input Price Index, 4th Quarter 1977 (62-004, 35¢/\$1.40)
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International Travel — Advance Information, December 1977 (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Railway Carloadings, December 1977 (52-001, 30¢/\$3)

Structural Aspects of Domestic and Foreign Control in the Manufacturing, Mining and Forestry Industries, 1970-1972 (31-523, \$2.80)

Oils and Fats, November 1977 (32-006, 30¢/\$3)

Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, October 1977 (26-006, 30¢/\$3)

Distilled Beverage Spirits and Industrial Ethyl Alcohol, December 1977 (32-021, 15¢/\$1.50)

Salt, December 1977 (26-009, 15¢/\$1.50)

Asbestos, December 1977 (26-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletin:

Fabricated Metal Products (41-009, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 6, No. 64, Cemented Tungsten Carbide Blanks and Tools, December 1977

Selected Tabulations on Cancer Incidence, Canada and Provinces, 1975 — Advance Information

Advance details from the forthcoming publication *New Primary Sites of Malignant Neoplasms in Canada, 1975* (82-207, \$1.40) are now available. For further information, contact Mr. J. Silins (613-995-0864), Chief, Vital Statistics and Disease Registries Section, Health Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Persons Incarcerated in Provincial Institutions, December 31, 1976 — Advance Information

Preliminary figures show that the number of adult persons held in provincial correctional institutions at December 31, 1976 was 11,884. This included 11,462 males and 422 females. Figures for specific provinces are also available by contacting Penny Reedie (613-995-3585), Justice Statistics Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Particle Board, December 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian firms produced 50,714,000 square feet (4 711 000 m²) 5/8" (15.9 mm) basis of particle board in December compared to 35,448,000 square feet (3 294 000 m²) in December 1976, an increase of 43.1%.

For further information, order the December issue of *Particle Board* (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Airport Activity, July 1977 — Advance Information

Airport activity statistics for the top 50 airports in Canada are now available for the month of July 1977.

Total scheduled enplaned plus deplaned passenger statistics for airports Toronto International, Montreal (Dorval) International and Mirabel International are shown in the accompanying table.

The airport tables and further information may be obtained by contacting Mr. W.J. Benoit (613-995-9897), Airport Activity Survey, Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

Airport Activity

July 1977

	Toronto International	Montreal International	Mirabel International
July 1976	991,119	509,016	162,022
July 1977	1,021,710	476,785	148,970
% change	3.1%	-6.3%	-8.1%

Coffin and Casket Industry, 1976 — Advance Information

The coffin and casket industry shipped \$23 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, down 9.1% from 1975. Total value added by the industry decreased 12.5% to \$12.6 million, the number of employees decreased 13.8% to 965 and total salaries and wages decreased 6.0% to \$8.3 million.

For further information, contact Colin F. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Coffin and Casket Industry, 1976* (35-210, 70¢).

Wineries, 1976 — Advance Information

Wineries shipped \$85.6 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 7.2% from 1975. Total value added by the industry decreased 10.2% to \$39.8 million, the number of employees decreased 3.6% to 1,155 and total salaries and wages increased 10.7% to \$14.6 million.

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Wineries, 1976* (32-207, 70¢).

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, November 1977 — Advance Information

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 1,004.2 million feet board measure (2 369 600 m³) of lumber and ties in November compared to a revised 945.5 million feet board measure (2 231 100 m³) a year earlier. January to November production increased to 11,125.8 million feet board measure (26 254 000 m³) in 1977 from a revised 9,798.0 million feet board measure (23 120 700 m³) in 1976.

For further information, order the November issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, February 1, 1978 — Advance Information

Cold storage holdings of frozen poultry products at February 1 amounted to 74.8 million pounds compared with last year's total of 79.6 million pounds.

For further information, order the February issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes, December 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 7,356,814 phonograph records in December, up from 5,603,916 in December 1976. Production of pre-recorded tapes (8-track cartridges and cassettes only) decreased to 1,062,332 from 1,486,926.

For further information, order the December issue of the *Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes Service Bulletin* (47-004, \$1.40 per year), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

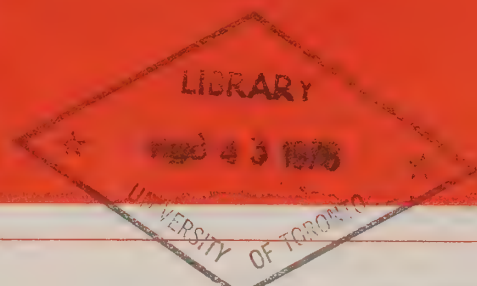
Distilleries, 1976 — Advance Information

Distilleries shipped \$503.9 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 0.7% from 1975. Total value added by the industry decreased 2.6% to \$328.9 million, the number of employees decreased 4.7% to 5,708 and total salaries and wages increased 4.6% to \$85.3 million.

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Distilleries, 1976* (32-206, 70¢).

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Fish Freezings and Stocks, November 1977 (24-001, 40¢/\$4)

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, January 1978 (32-009, 30¢/\$3)

Service Bulletin:

Fabricated Metal Products (41-009, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 6, No. 65, Sanitaryware, December 1977

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

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Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Charlottetown, Moncton, Saint John and Sydney by calling the operator and asking for ZENITH 22066. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

Toy and Decorations Manufacturing Industry, 1976 — Advance Information

Advance information concerning selected financial statistics of the toy and decorations manufacturing industry is available upon request. Data includes net sales (domestic and export) of all products and by-products, advertising expenditures, taxes paid, manpower, etc. For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Fisheries Statistics, Canada Summary, 1976 — Advance Information

Total landings of sea and inland fish for 1976 amounted to 2,419,809,000 pounds valued at \$391,672,000. Total value of fishery products and by-products amounted to \$975,835,000.

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Fisheries Statistics of Canada — Canada Summary, 1976* (24-201, 70¢).

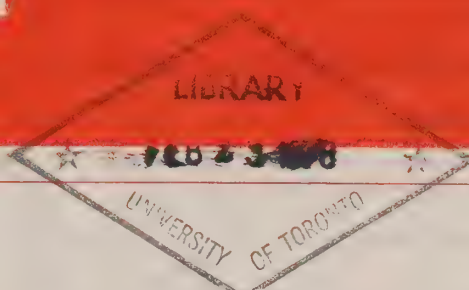
Steel Ingots, Week Ended February 11, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended February 11 was 296,611 short tons (269 081 t), a decrease of 2.8% from the preceding week's total of 305,012 short tons (276 702 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was 290,388 tons (263 436 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 161.9 in the current week, 166.5 a week earlier and 158.5 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Motor Vehicle Shipments, December 1977 (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, December 1977 (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Urban Transit, December 1977 (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, January 1 to December 31, 1977 (63-009, 15¢/\$1.50)

Restaurant Statistics, December 1977 (63-011, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletin:

Communications (56-001, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 8, No. 1, Broadcasting Statistics — Radio and Television, 1976

The Consumer Price Index, January 1978 (62-001, 30¢/\$3)

The all-items Consumer Price Index for Canada (1971=100) advanced 0.4% to 167.8 in January from 167.2 in December. As a result, the year-over-year increase between January 1977 and January 1978 stood at 9.0%, down from 9.5% in the previous month. Higher food prices, up 0.8% in the latest month, accounted for three-fifths of this advance; increased charges for both housing and transportation also had a notable upward impact on this rise while lower prices for clothing partially offset the effect of these increases. While the food index was up 0.8%, the index for all items excluding food rose a moderate 0.2%.

Higher prices for beef, pork and other meats were large contributing factors to the 0.8% rise in the food index. Other notable price increases were registered for fish, sugar, processed fruit and vegetables, restaurant meals and for soft drinks. Lower prices for poultry and for some fresh fruit and vegetables partially dampened the impact of these increases. The 0.8% increase in the food-at-home index in January brought the level of this index to 193.0, 17.0% above its level of January 1977.

Higher electricity rates in many Ontario and Quebec urban centres and increased shelter charges were important contributing factors in the 0.2% rise in the index for all items excluding food. Other notable factors included higher prices for imported automobiles, seasonally-higher train fares and increased charges for household help services. Lower prices for both men's and women's outerwear and for footwear lessened the impact of these increases. Between January 1977 and January 1978, the index for all items excluding food advanced 6.8%.

Viewed in terms of goods and services, the price level of goods, including food, increased 0.2% in the latest month while that for services was up 0.6%. Between January 1977 and January 1978, the price level of goods increased 10.0% while that for services was up 7.4%.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, the all-items CPI advanced 0.3% from December to January; this included a 0.9% increase in the food index and a 0.1% rise in the index for all items excluding food.

In January, the current annual rate of change in the CPI*, based on the seasonally-adjusted movement in the latest three-month period, was 7.7%, down from the 11.2% rate calculated in the previous month.

* See Table 2 and technical notes of this release.

(see tables on pages 3 and 4)

Mineral Production, December 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian mineral production for December and for the year 1977, with corresponding 1976 figures in brackets:

- Gold, 146,047 troy ounces (148,993) — 1,703,635 troy ounces (1,691,808).
- Silver, 3,461,379 troy ounces (3,661,249) — 44,648,280 troy ounces (41,199,142).
- Primary copper, 58,894 short tons (67,394) — 861,542 short tons (805,712).
- Primary nickel, 19,013 short tons (23,419) — 255,254 short tons (265,464).
- Refined lead, 17,437 short tons (18,406) — 206,636 short tons (198,698).
- Refined zinc, 37,704 short tons (52,736) — 545,521 short tons (520,639).

For further information, order the December issue of *Gold Production* (26-004, 15¢/\$1.50); *Silver, Lead and Zinc Production* (26-008, 15¢/\$1.50); and *Copper and Nickel Production* (26-003, 15¢/\$1.50); or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber, December 1977 — Advance Information

Production of rubber in Canada increased to 50,327,000 pounds (22 828 000 kg) in December from 48,539,000 pounds (22 017 000 kg) in December 1976. Consumption of rubber decreased to 51,152,000 pounds (23 202 000 kg) from 55,997,000 pounds (25 399 000 kg).

For further information, order the December issue of *Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber* (33-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Consumer Price Index for Canada and Main Components

(1971=100)

(Not seasonally adjusted)

	Relative importance(1)	Indexes			% Change		% Contribution to total change	
		1978	1977		January 1978 from			
		Jan.	Dec.	Jan.	Dec. 1977	Jan. 1977	Dec. 1977	Jan. 1977
All Items	100	187.8	187.2	154.0	0.4	9.0	100	100
Food	27	193.0	191.5	168.0	0.8	14.9	60	44
All items excluding food	73	159.1	158.8	149.0	0.2	6.8	40	56
Housing	33	168.6	167.8	155.9	0.5	8.1	44	30
Clothing	9	144.1	145.5	135.4	-1.0	6.4	-25	7
Transportation	15	157.4	156.7	150.1	0.4	4.9	18	8
Health and personal care	4	160.3	160.0	148.8	0.2	7.7	2	4
Recreation, education and reading	6	145.6	145.4	139.5	0.1	4.4	2	3
Tobacco and alcohol								
Purchasing power of the 1971 consumer dollar	6	148.5	148.6	138.3	-0.1	7.4	-1	4
All-items Consumer Price Index converted to 1961=100	—	0.60	0.60	0.65				
		223.9						

(1) These rounded weights, provided as a general guide, show the relative importance of the major components of the CPI, on average, during the year 1977.

Families in Private Households by Family Structure, Canada and Provinces, 1971 and 1976*— Advance Information

Comparison of the statistics for Canada reveals an increase of 674,725 families in private households in Canada between 1971 and 1976 to a total of 5,727,895 families.

Husband-wife families represented the vast majority (90.2%) of total families in 1976, but lone-parent families increased to 9.8% of the total from 9.4% in 1971. The pattern of increases in the distribution of lone-parent families and the corresponding decreases in the distribution of husband-wife families was observed in all provinces except Newfoundland, Saskatchewan and the Yukon and Northwest Territories. Ontario showed the greatest increase in the number of lone-parent families from 1971 to 1976 (8.9% to 9.6%).

The increase of 81,810 lone-parent families over the five-year period was entirely accounted for larger numbers of female lone-parent families (up 23.1% over the period while male lone-parent families decreased by 5.3%). Female lone-parent families comprised 83.0% of total lone-parent families in 1976.

* Data in this release have been rounded and tabulated from the 100% count. Future releases will also provide estimates of reliability, as well as statements concerning possible source of error due to coverage, response or processing.

Further information along with more geographic detail will be published early this year in catalogue 93-822, bulletin 4-3. In the meantime, further information on families in private households in Canada, by structure for census divisions (counties, regional districts, regional municipalities, etc.) can be obtained by contacting the Census Information Services (613-996-5254), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T7.

(see table on page 5)

Funeral Directors, 1976 — Advance Information

In 1976 the 1,259 funeral directors in Canada reported \$192.0 million total revenue, of which \$162.0 million was derived from funeral-directing activities. Salaries and wages paid to their 3,429 full-time and 1,929 part-time employees totalled \$42.6 million.

For further information, order *Funeral Directors, 1976* (63-532, 70¢), or contact Ms. S. Beyer (613-996-9311), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Airport Activity, August 1977 — Advance Information

Airport activity statistics for the top 50 airports in Canada are now available for the month of August 1977.

Total scheduled enplaned plus deplaned passenger statistics for airports Toronto International, Montreal (Dorval) International and Mirabel International are shown in the accompanying table.

The airport tables and further information may be obtained by contacting Mr. W.J. Benoit (613-995-9897), Airport Activity Survey, Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

Airport Activity, August 1977

	Toronto International	Montreal International	Mirabel International
August 1976	1,039,543	527,857	150,895
August 1977	930,798	442,225	127,799
% change	-10.5	-16.2	-15.3

Note: The four day strike and subsequent "work to rule" action employed by Canadian air traffic controllers resulted in decreased activity at most Canadian airports for the month of August 1977.

Month-to-Month Percentage Changes in the Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted Consumer Price Index for Canada*

	All items		Food		All items excluding food	
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**
1975						
January	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.5
February	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.7
March	0.5	0.5	-0.4	-0.1	0.9	0.8
April	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6
May	0.8	0.7	1.1	0.6	0.7	0.7
June	1.5	1.2	3.2	2.9	0.8	0.7
July	1.4	1.2	2.3	1.4	1.0	1.1
August	1.0	0.8	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8
September	0.2	0.6	-0.7	0.1	0.7	0.8
October	0.9	1.1	0.4	1.1	1.1	1.1
November	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.8	1.0	0.8
December	0.1	0.3	-0.7	-0.4	0.5	0.7
1976						
January	0.6	0.6	-0.2	-0.1	0.8	0.7
February	0.3	0.2	-0.3	-0.7	0.7	0.7
March	0.4	0.4	-0.7	-0.4	0.8	0.7
April	0.4	0.5	-0.4	-0.2	0.7	0.7
May	0.8	0.7	1.5	0.9	0.6	0.7
June	0.5	0.2	0.2	-0.4	0.5	0.5
July	0.4	0.3	0.3	-0.5	0.6	0.6
August	0.5	0.3	-0.5	-0.5	0.8	0.6
September	0.5	0.8	-0.7	0.0	1.0	1.1
October	0.7	0.9	0.0	0.7	0.8	1.0
November	0.3	0.3	-0.2	0.0	0.5	0.5
December	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.3	0.3
1977						
January	0.9	0.8	1.2	1.4	0.7	0.7
February	0.9	0.8	2.0	1.5	0.5	0.4
March	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.2	1.0	1.1
April	0.6	0.7	1.0	1.2	0.5	0.5
May	0.8	0.6	1.4	0.7	0.5	0.5
June	0.7	0.5	1.1	0.6	0.6	0.6
July	0.9	0.7	2.1	1.2	0.4	0.5
August	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.2
September	0.6	0.9	0.2	1.0	0.7	1.0
October	1.0	1.1	1.4	2.0	0.8	0.8
November	0.7	0.7	0.8	1.1	0.6	0.4
December	0.7	0.9	1.6	2.0	0.3	0.5
1978						
January	0.4	0.3	0.8	0.9	0.2	0.1

* For some elaboration of methodology, see Appendix I(A) of *Consumer Prices and Price Indexes* (Catalogue 62-010).

** Seasonally adjusted data are revised annually using updated seasonal adjustment factors. For more information, refer to Appendix II, *Consumer Prices and Price Indexes* (Catalogue 62-010).

Fish Freezings and Stocks, December 1977 — Advance Information

Advance data from the *Fish Freezings and Stocks* report for the month of December is now available.

For further information, order the December issue of *Fish Freezings and Stocks* (24-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Fabric Glove Manufacturers, 1976 — Advance Information

Fabric glove manufacturers shipped \$11.6 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 5.8% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 14.9% to \$6.6 million, the number of employees increased 5.3% to 478 and total salaries and wages increased 22.5% to \$3.8 million.

For further information, contact Mr. Elliott Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Clothing Industries, 1976* (34-218, 70¢).

Families in Private Households by Family Structure for Canada and Provinces, 1971 and 1976

	Total Families	Husband-Wife Families	%	Lone-Parent Families			
				Total	%	Male Parent	Female Parent
Canada							
1971	5,053,170	4,575,640	90.6	477,525	9.4	100,355	377,165
1976	5,727,895	5,168,565	90.2	559,335	9.8	94,990	464,345
Newfoundland							
1971	107,960	98,280	91.0	9,675	9.0	2,365	7,310
1976	124,650	113,855	91.3	10,800	8.7	2,195	8,605
Prince Edward Island							
1971	24,170	21,705	89.8	2,470	10.2	535	1,935
1976	27,560	24,685	89.6	2,875	10.4	505	2,370
Nova Scotia							
1971	179,595	160,525	89.4	19,070	10.6	4,055	15,015
1976	200,480	179,010	89.3	21,470	10.7	3,880	17,595
New Brunswick							
1971	139,720	125,910	90.1	13,815	9.9	2,995	10,815
1976	162,030	145,875	90.0	16,155	10.0	3,010	13,150
Quebec							
1971	1,353,655	1,215,285	89.8	138,370	10.2	30,325	108,050
1976	1,540,400	1,381,510	89.7	158,895	10.3	26,330	132,565
Ontario							
1971	1,877,055	1,709,290	91.1	167,765	8.9	33,880	183,885
1976	2,104,540	1,902,090	90.4	202,450	9.6	34,000	168,450
Manitoba							
1971	234,595	211,980	90.4	22,615	9.6	4,655	17,950
1976	251,970	227,240	90.2	24,730	9.8	4,070	20,665
Saskatchewan							
1971	214,840	196,285	91.4	18,555	8.6	3,945	14,605
1976	225,685	206,580	91.5	19,100	8.5	3,555	15,550
Alberta							
1971	380,220	346,130	91.0	34,095	9.0	6,545	27,555
1976	448,765	407,570	90.8	41,200	9.2	6,645	34,555
British Columbia							
1971	530,830	480,905	90.6	49,925	9.4	10,635	39,285
1976	628,445	568,250	90.4	60,200	9.6	10,415	49,785
Yukon and Northwest Territories							
1971	10,530	9,350	88.8	1,175	11.2	420	755
Yukon							
1976	4,930	4,430	89.9	500	10.1	130	370
Northwest Territories							
1976	8,420	7,470	88.7	955	11.3	270	685

Note: Data excludes counts of total, husband-wife and lone-parent families in collective households and households outside Canada.

Miscellaneous Clothing Industries, N.E.S., 1976 — Advance Information

The miscellaneous clothing industries shipped \$28.1 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 16% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 21.2% to \$16.6 million, the number of employees decreased 1.3% to 1,045 and total salaries and wages increased 14.4% to \$8.8 million.

For further information, contact Mr. Elliott Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Clothing Industries, 1976* (34-218, 70¢).

Domestic Mobile Homes, October-December 1977 — Advance Information

Shipments of single-width domestic mobile homes decreased to 2,149 in the fourth quarter of 1977 from 2,611 in October-December 1976. Shipments of double-width units decreased to 487 from 830 a year earlier.

For further information, order the December issue of *Fabricated Metal Products Service Bulletin* (41-009, \$2.80 a year), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

February 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	Feb. 10/78 This week	Feb. 3/78 Week ago	Jan. 13/78 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	97.5	96.6	97.4
Industrials	85	91.5	90.6	91.6
Foods	9	99.6	98.9	100.1
Alcoholic beverages	5	82.4	79.8	79.4
Textiles and clothing	3	122.4	121.4	121.9
Pulp and paper	7	116.2	114.5	111.2
Printing and publishing	5	93.6	92.1	92.9
Primary metals	4	97.9	96.5	98.1
Industrial mines	6	64.3	63.7	66.3
Metal fabricating	9	173.3	171.2	172.4
Non-metallic minerals	4	98.8	99.5	96.9
Petroleum	8	100.0	99.9	101.9
Chemicals	5	102.1	101.9	100.8
Construction	5	273.7	271.9	271.3
Trade	15	80.2	79.9	78.0
Utilities and services	28	102.1	101.9	103.1
Transportation	6	127.0	125.1	126.3
Pipelines	5	88.7	89.4	90.2
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	106.9	106.1	107.7
Telephone	4	106.8	106.3	108.1
Electric power	3	131.1	132.1	136.6
Gas distribution	5	84.5	84.7	85.0
Finances	21	120.4	118.3	117.8
Banks	8	120.7	118.1	118.0
Investment and loan	9	116.0	115.9	115.1
Insurance	4	137.3	132.2	130.3
Mining Index	17	124.0	125.8	129.2
Gold	9	272.2	278.4	284.7
Base metals	8	53.0	52.7	54.6
Uraniums	2	183.8	178.5	181.4
Primary oils and gas index	5	129.6	128.7	128.5

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Oils and Fats — Manufacturers' Sales

December 1977 — Advance Information

	Margarine		Shortening*		Salad Oil	
	'000 lbs.	metric tonnes	'000 lbs.	metric tonnes	'000 lbs.	metric tonnes
Retail Sales						
1977	26,357	11 955	4,449	2 018	6,021	2 731
1976	21,438	9 724	4,404	1 998	5,112	2 319
Commercial Sales						
1977	1,726	783	12,274	5 567	1,488	675
1976	1,539	698	10,488	4 757	1,117	506
Bulk sales to packagers or bottlers						
1977	12,340	5 597	3,308	1 500	7,140	3 239
1976	11,002	4 991	2,342	1 062	5,425	2 461
Bulk sales to other than packagers or bottlers						
1977	—	—	11,055	5 014	1,440	653
1976	—	—	11,110	5 039	2,033	922

* Includes baking and frying oils and fats.

For further information, order the December issue of *Oils and Fats* (32-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Carloadings

10-day period ending January 31, 1978

	Eastern* Division	Western* Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	3,738,475	2,999,918	6,738,393
Short tons, 1977	2,861,670	2,688,474	5,550,144
Metric tonnes, 1978	3 391 487	2 721 480	6 112 967
Metric tonnes, 1977	2 596 063	2 438 943	5 035 006
% change	30.6	11.6	21.4
Cars, 1978	57,850	45,885	103,735
Cars, 1977	48,177	41,456	89,633
% change	20.1	10.7	15.7
Piggyback traffic**:			
Short tons, 1978	224,385	82,570	306,955
Short tons, 1977	217,380	76,736	294,116
Metric tonnes, 1978	203 559	74 906	278 465
Metric tonnes, 1977	197 204	69 614	266 818
% change	3.2	7.6	4.4
Cars, 1978	6,684	3,341	10,025
Cars, 1977	6,202	3,200	9,402
% change	7.8	4.4	6.6
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	9,996,924	8,241,663	18,238,587
Short tons, 1977	8,912,133	7,969,519	16,881,652
Metric tonnes, 1978	9 069 057	7 476 711	16 545 768
Metric tonnes, 1977	8 084 951	7 229 826	15 314 777
% change	12.2	3.4	8.0
Cars, 1978	156,974	126,105	283,079
Cars, 1977	145,655	122,375	268,030
% change	7.8	3.0	5.6
Piggyback traffic**:			
Short tons, 1978	637,588	237,571	875,159
Short tons, 1977	597,811	224,569	822,380
Metric tonnes, 1978	578 410	215 521	793 931
Metric tonnes, 1977	542 325	203 726	746 051
% change	6.7	5.8	6.4
Cars, 1978	18,995	9,614	28,609
Cars, 1977	17,547	9,545	27,092
% change	8.3	0.7	5.6

*The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

**Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

***All 1977 figures have been revised — 1978 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 10 Days Ended January 31, 1978

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Canadian railways loaded 6.1 million t (6.7 million short tons) of revenue freight in the above 10 days, 21.4% more than a year earlier. Eastern loadings rose sharply in the latest period (up 30.6%) and tonnage in the West was up 11.6%. The total number of railway cars loaded rose 15.7% to 103,735 from 89,633.

Trailer-container (piggyback) shipments increased 4.4% with gains recorded in both the eastern and western divisions of the country.

Rail freight loadings in the first month of 1978 were up 8.0% from January 1977 and the corresponding carload count was higher by 5.6%. Trailer-container (piggyback) traffic showed a gain of 6.4%.

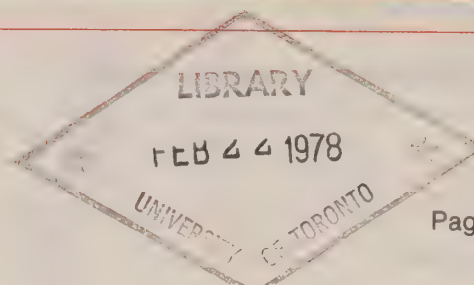
For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Exports by Commodities

Full details on commodity-country export trade for December are now available either on microfiche or by telephone in advance of the regular publication, *Exports by Commodities* (65-004, 80¢/\$8). Direct information requests to G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Canadian Statistical Review, January 1978 (11-003E, 70¢/\$7)

Population: Geographic Distributions, Urban and Rural Distribution, 1976 Census of Canada (92-807, \$2.25)

Preliminary Unemployment Insurance Statistics, November 1977 (73-001P, N/C)

Electric Power Statistics, October 1977 (57-001, 30¢/\$3)

Selected Petroleum Statistics Quarterly, 1978-I (45-006, 70¢/\$2.80)

Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, December 1977 (43-002, 15¢/\$1.50)
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Breweries, December 1977 (32-019, 15¢/\$1.50)

Rigid Insulating Board, December 1977 (36-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Stoves and Furnaces, December 1977 (41-005, 30¢/\$3)

Production of Eggs and Poultry, December 1977 (23-003, 30¢/\$3)

Food and Beverage Industry Survey, 1976 (63-529, 70¢).

Service Bulletin:

Electrical Products (43-007, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 31, Domestic Water Tank Heaters, December 1977

Provincial Government Finance Estimates

Provinces	Revenue 1975/76 (\$ millions)	% Change	Expenditure 1975/76 (\$ millions)	% Change
Newfoundland	811	15.8	985	24.5
Prince Edward Island	195	21.1	205	23.7
Nova Scotia	1,060	17.4	1,117	22.6
New Brunswick	943	18.9	1,021	21.1
Quebec	9,494	15.2	9,777	22.7
Ontario	10,022	12.3	11,461	18.7
Manitoba	1,333	19.2	1,413	22.4
Saskatchewan	1,443	13.8	1,322	22.7
Alberta	3,713	15.2	3,005	27.1
British Columbia	3,325	13.5	3,785	29.9
Yukon	64	42.0	68	20.2
Northwest Territories	163	43.4	158	13.8
Total	32,565	14.6	34,318	22.4

Provincial Government Finance, Revenue and Expenditure, 1975-76 — Advance Information

The 1975-76 gross general revenue of all provincial and territorial governments reached \$32,565 million, up 14.6% from the previous fiscal year. Gross general expenditure increased 22.4% to \$34,318 million.

Further information, including complete provincial breakdown of revenue and expenditure, will be contained in *Provincial Government Finance, Revenue and Expenditure*, 1975 (68-207, \$2.10). For advance information, contact Mr. G.M. Rheaume (613-995-0718), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Trusteed Pension Funds, 1976

Trusteed pension funds in Canada continued their rapid and steady growth in 1976 with book value of assets climbing to a new high of over \$25 billion, an increase of \$4 billion over 1975. These assets were accumulated by 3,543 trusteed pension funds, down slightly from the 3,622 funds recorded in 1975.

As in previous years, contributions increased significantly. Employees and employers contributed a total of \$3.4 billion in 1976, up 24.4% from \$2.7 billion in 1975.

Detailed information on asset portfolios and income and expenditures of trusteed pension funds will be published shortly in *Trusteed Pension Plans, Financial Statistics*, 1976 (74-201, \$1.40). For further information, contact Mr. E.S. Hanes (613-992-2776), Pension Section, Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Wholesale Trade, December 1977 — Advance Information

Sales by wholesale merchants for December were estimated at \$4,395,972,000, up 13.4% from \$3,877,679,000 in December 1976.

Wholesale inventories were valued at \$7,558,596,000, an increase of 5.8% from stocks of \$7,144,215,000 on hand at the end of December 1976.

For further details, order the December issue of *Wholesale Trade* (63-008, 15¢/\$1.50).

Report on Livestock Surveys, Pigs, January 1, 1978 — Advance Information

Total pig numbers in Canada (excluding Newfoundland) at January 1, 1978 were up 8% from a year earlier. In the West, numbers increased by 5%. The 1977 estimate for farrowings from July 1, 1977 to January 1, 1978 was up 9% from the corresponding period in 1976.

For further information, order the January 1, 1978 *Report on Livestock Surveys, Pigs* (23-005, 35¢/\$1.40), or contact Mr. L.C. White (613-994-5855), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Preliminary Monthly Report of Petroleum Sales, December 1977

(Thousands of Barrels)

	Motor Gasoline	Aviation Turbo Fuel	Kerosene and Stove Oil	Diesel Fuel	Light Fuel	Heavy Fuel	Other Products	Total Products
Newfoundland	264	85	111	255	382	324	58	1,479
Prince Edward Island	88	2	31	45	130	61	6	363
Nova Scotia	637	60	145	304	921	1,170	81	3,318
New Brunswick	540	23	115	131	689	1,147	58	2,703
Quebec	4,611	483	691	1,306	5,918	4,187	1,417	18,613
Ontario	6,699	556	307	1,438	5,268	2,708	1,947	18,923
Manitoba	805	115	165	269	256	145	56	1,811
Saskatchewan	953	37	202	275	247	2	55	1,771
Alberta	2,130	244	89	898	138	6	421	3,926
British Columbia	1,934	279	169	932	965	944	381	5,604
Northwest Territories	20	29	14	24	48	—	10	145
Yukon	22	5	40	19	42	—	—	128
Canada	18,703	1,918	2,079	5,896	15,004	10,694	4,490	58,784
Canada 1976	19,121	1,867	2,550	5,761	16,929	11,572	4,214	62,014
% change 1977/1976	-2.2	2.7	-18.5	2.3	-11.4	-7.6	6.5	-5.2

Refined Petroleum Products, December 1977 — Advance Information

Preliminary data for December shows that net sales of all refined petroleum products amounted to 58,784,000 barrels, a decrease of 5.2% from the December 1976 total of 62,014,000 barrels.

Canadian refineries produced 60,879,000 barrels of refined petroleum products in December, an increase of 4.5% from 58,253,000 barrels a year earlier.

For further information, order the December issue of *Refined Petroleum Products* (45-004, 40¢/\$4), or contact G.R. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Television Receiving Sets, December 1977 — Advance Information

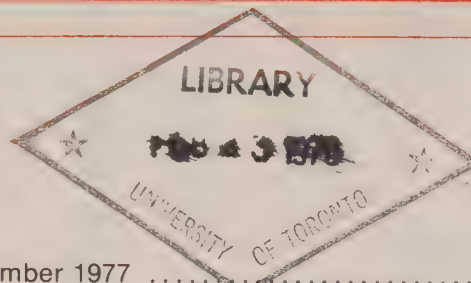
Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of "Made in Canada" colour and black-and-white television sets in December amounted to 21,673 units compared to 40,485 in December 1976.

Sales of colour television sets for all 1977 totalled 295,314 units compared to 393,283 in 1976.

For further information, order the December issue of *Radio and Television Receiving Sets* (43-004, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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1976 Census of Agriculture Volume Series

Released today is the first of 11 publications in the Volume Series (one for each province plus a Canada summary) with the balance of the reports to follow over the next few weeks. These bulletins contain the results of the 1976 Census of Agriculture: numbers of farms; areas; tenure; crops; livestock; farm machinery; hired agricultural labour; off-farm work by operators; capital value; and type of organization.

The full series (96-800 to 96-810, inclusive) can be ordered now from the Publications Distribution Unit at \$59.75 including titled cover binders, or each publication can be purchased separately.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

1976 Census of Agriculture — Prince Edward Island (96-802, \$4.25)

Consumer Prices and Price Indexes, October-December 1977 (62-010, \$1.40/\$5.60)

Index of Industrial Production

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1976	1977	% Change
Index of Industrial Production	29.497	120.5	124.5	3.3
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	110.4	114.2	3.4
Metal mines	1.584	108.3	112.2	3.6
Mineral fuels	1.492	111.8	114.2	2.1
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)	.363	118.1	130.3	10.3
Manufacturing industries	22.862	120.0	123.7	3.1
Food and beverage industries	3.254	111.6	115.1	3.1
Tobacco products industries	.212	115.3	120.3	4.3
Rubber and plastics products industries	.650	145.6	163.3	12.2
Leather industries	.206	101.8	89.9	-11.7
Textile industries	.756	110.5	108.6	-1.8
Knitting mills	.205	99.8	92.6	-7.2
Clothing industries	.742	113.0	110.8	-2.0
Wood industries	.968	129.5	139.5	7.7
Furniture and fixture industries	.420	116.3	104.3	-10.4
Paper and allied industries	1.878	113.3	116.6	2.9
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	115.1	114.7	-0.3
Primary metal industries	1.976	105.4	114.4	8.5
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.887	128.2	129.7	1.2
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.008	137.0	140.3	2.4
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	131.2	137.2	4.5
Electrical products industries	1.631	113.7	109.1	-4.0
Non-metallic mineral products industries	.905	121.3	128.9	6.2
Petroleum and coal products industries	.394	127.1	132.3	4.1
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.363	133.1	147.7	11.0
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	.713	117.8	113.5	-3.6
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	137.8	145.1	5.2
Special industry groupings:				
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	117.3	120.9	3.1
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	122.7	126.5	3.1

Index of Industrial Production, December 1977 — Advance Information

The seasonally-adjusted index of industrial production (1971=100) increased 0.2% in December to 125.6 from 125.4 in November. Mining and utilities showed increases, while manufacturing output remained virtually unchanged from the previous month.

Several indexes have been revised back to January due to the incorporation of later data. Revised series will be published in the December issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product*.

For further information, order the December issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (including the Index of Industrial Production)*, (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Production Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

(see tables on pages 3 and 4)

Consumer Credit, December 1977 — Advance Information

Consumer credit outstanding on the books of selected credit holders reporting monthly reached \$24,435 million at the end of December, an increase of 11.8% from a year earlier.

Outstanding balances of selected credit holders at the end of December 1977, with percentage changes from a year earlier:

- Chartered banks' personal loans: \$18,731 million, up 15.8%.

- Quebec savings banks' personal loans: \$87 million, up 20.8%.
- Life insurance companies' policy loans: \$1,282 million, up 4.1%.
- Sales finance and consumer loan companies' loans: small \$208 million, down 11.5%; large \$1,459 million, down 2.7%; instalment sales paper \$1,100 million, down 3.0%.

- Department stores and furniture, TV, radio and household appliance stores: \$1,567 million, up 4.1%.

Credit holders reporting quarterly had combined outstanding balances of \$6,404 million at the end of the third quarter of 1977, up 16.4% from a year earlier. The largest of these credit holders, credit unions and caisses populaires, reported preliminary balances outstanding of \$4,475 million, up 18.8% (also included in the quarterly total: other retail stores; other credit-card issuers; public utilities; and trust and mortgage companies).

Including quarterly reporters, outstanding balances at the end of the third quarter of 1977 totalled \$30,118 million, up 13.3% from September 30, 1976.

For further information, order the December issue of *Consumer Credit* (61-004, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Index of Industrial Production

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	% Change
Index of Industrial Production	29.497	124.0	124.4	124.4	125.3	0.7
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	116.2	116.4	113.2	111.2	-1.8
Metal mines	1.584	115.8	115.2	112.3	105.4	-6.1
Mineral fuels	1.492	115.7	116.6	109.7	114.9	4.7
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)	.363	131.0	127.3	137.0	126.9	-7.4
Manufacturing industries	22.862	122.7	123.9	123.8	124.6	0.6
Food and beverage industries	3.254	114.4	115.4	114.6	116.3	1.5
Tobacco products industries	.212	120.9	117.0	120.8	121.9	0.9
Rubber and plastics products industries	.650	161.6	170.1	162.8	159.8	-1.8
Leather industries	.206	92.6	88.7	89.6	88.7	-1.0
Textile industries	.756	107.8	107.6	109.0	110.0	1.0
Knitting mills	.205	93.7	91.7	93.6	91.7	-2.0
Clothing industries	.742	108.8	111.1	113.2	110.3	-2.6
Wood industries	.968	139.2	131.6	139.5	148.4	6.4
Furniture and fixture industries	.420	109.2	103.4	101.7	102.7	1.0
Paper and allied industries	1.878	117.2	116.8	113.9	118.3	3.9
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	116.4	115.5	114.2	113.1	-0.9
Primary metal industries	1.976	111.3	113.7	118.8	113.7	-4.2
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.887	128.9	128.8	130.5	130.5	—
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.008	139.3	137.9	142.6	141.6	-0.7
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	135.2	138.5	134.9	139.9	3.7
Electrical products industries	1.631	108.1	111.5	109.1	107.9	-1.1
Non-metallic mineral products industries	.905	123.9	132.5	127.0	131.9	3.8
Petroleum and coal products industries	.394	135.7	133.4	130.4	128.3	-1.6
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.363	142.1	149.0	150.7	149.3	-0.9
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	.713	116.9	114.2	114.1	110.3	-3.4
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	145.6	139.6	144.6	150.0	3.7
Special industry groupings:						
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	120.5	121.6	120.8	121.1	0.2
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	125.0	126.3	126.9	128.1	0.9

Corporation Financial Statistics, 1975 — Advance Information

Financial characteristics reported by corporations in 1975 reflected the tapering off of the strong economic growth generated in 1973 and 1974. Total assets of all industries rose to \$483 billion in 1975 from \$428 billion in 1974, an increase of 13%, compared to advances of 19% in 1974 and 16% in 1973. At the 182-industry level, the fastest rate of growth took place in the fertilizer industry, which more than doubled its assets to \$120 million from \$50 million, and in the "other construction" industry, up 36% from the \$1.2 billion reported in 1974.

In 1975 non-financial corporations reported total revenues of \$286 billion, up from \$258 billion in the previous year, an increase of 11% compared with a 27% rise in 1974. The largest percentage increases in revenues occurred in coal mines, up 73% to \$701 million, "other construction", up 45% to \$2,793 million and pipelines, up 40% to \$1,913 million.

A \$354 million increase in pre-tax profits in the financial sector in 1975 was more than offset by a \$878 million decrease in the non-financial sector, resulting in total pre-tax profits for all industries of \$23.4 billion, down \$524 million (2%) from 1974. Large decreases in pre-tax profits occurred in some industries, with "other metal mining" down 49% to \$736 million, and pulp and paper mills at \$694 million down 38% from 1974.

Sawmills recorded a loss of \$15 million compared to a profit of \$105 million for the previous year. Fish products industries reported a loss of \$3 million compared to 1974 profits of \$26 million, and synthetic textiles a loss of \$4 million compared to profits of \$84 million in the prior year. Coal mines, on the other hand, reported a fivefold increase in profits to \$180 million, and bus transport an increase of 14 times to \$58 million. This was in contrast to air transport where profits dropped from \$500,000 to a loss of \$18 million, and railways which reported a decline in profits from \$124 million to \$84 million.

Further information may be obtained from Mr. A. Dorland (613-996-5980), Business Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. Additional details on a 182-industry basis, including key corporate financial ratios, will be available in the 1975 issue of *Corporation Financial Statistics* (61-207, \$7.50).

Index of Industrial Production

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1977				% Change
		Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	
Index of Industrial Production	29.497	124.4	124.8	125.4	125.6	0.2
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	111.5	109.0	112.2	112.3	0.1
Metal mines	1.584	106.7	105.1	104.4	106.6	2.1
Mineral fuels	1.492	110.7	106.0	119.6	119.1	-0.4
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)	.363	140.6	139.7	122.4	118.6	-3.1
Manufacturing industries	22.862	124.0	124.6	124.5	124.6	0.1
Food and beverage industries	3.254	114.9	116.9	115.9	116.2	0.3
Tobacco products industries	.212	122.2	120.5	122.5	122.7	0.2
Rubber and plastics products industries	.650	160.3	166.3	154.8	158.3	2.3
Leather industries	.206	89.2	90.1	89.5	86.5	-3.4
Textile industries	.756	108.8	109.7	109.9	110.5	0.5
Knitting mills	.205	92.1	92.5	91.5	91.0	-0.5
Clothing industries	.742	111.9	110.8	109.9	110.1	0.2
Wood industries	.968	144.9	149.3	148.5	147.5	-0.7
Furniture and fixture industries	.420	101.9	102.8	102.9	102.5	-0.4
Paper and allied industries	1.878	112.1	117.6	119.0	118.4	-0.5
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	114.5	113.1	113.5	112.8	-0.6
Primary metal industries	1.976	119.4	116.1	115.3	109.8	-4.8
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.887	131.5	130.3	130.7	130.5	-0.2
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.008	143.6	141.3	141.9	141.5	-0.3
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	134.6	136.0	140.0	143.6	2.6
Electrical products industries	1.631	109.0	107.2	107.3	109.2	1.8
Non-metallic mineral products industries	.905	128.1	132.8	131.1	131.8	0.5
Petroleum and coal products industries	.394	126.7	125.3	130.4	129.2	-0.9
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.363	151.7	150.1	148.8	148.9	0.1
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	.713	112.6	111.0	110.0	109.9	-0.1
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	145.3	147.8	150.3	151.8	1.0
Special industry groupings:						
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	120.3	121.6	120.8	120.9	0.1
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	127.7	127.6	128.3	128.3	—

Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, November 1977
— Advance Information

Canadian mills shipped 222,040,000 square feet (20 628 000 m²) 3/8" (9.525 mm) basis of softwood plywood in November, down from 222,786,000 square feet (20 698 000 m²) in November 1976.

Shipments of hardwood plywood amounted to 41,467,000 square feet (3 853 000 m²) surface measure for November, an increase of 31.1% over November 1976.

For further information, order the November issue of *Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods* (35-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Footwear Statistics, December 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian production of footwear of all types decreased to 2,315,456 pairs in December from 2,891,341 pairs in December 1976.

For further information, order the December issue of *Footwear Statistics* (33-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Telephone Statistics, December 1977 — Advance Information

The 13 major telephone systems in Canada reported monthly revenues of \$340.8 million in December, up 17.2% over December 1976. Operating expenses were \$232.5 million, an increase of 9.7%. Net operating revenue at \$108.3 million showed an increase of 37.1% over December 1976. Telephone toll messages increased 9.9% to 84.6 million.

It should be noted that the work stoppage at the British Columbia Telephone System which began November 24, 1977 was still in effect during December 1977.

For further information, order the December issue of *Telephone Statistics* (56-002, \$1.50 per year), or contact Patrick Crosby (613-996-9274), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending February 7, 1978

	Eastern* Division	Western* Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	2,282,907	1,980,566	4,263,473
Short tons, 1977	2,119,605	2,153,811	4,273,416
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 071 018	1 796 739	3 867 757
Metric tonnes, 1977	1 922 873	1 953 904	3 876 777
% change	7.7	-8.0	-0.2
Cars, 1978	36,910	29,921	66,831
Cars, 1977	35,706	32,884	68,590
% change	3.4	-9.0	-2.6
Piggyback traffic**:			
Short tons, 1978	179,101	58,085	237,186
Short tons, 1977	177,280	56,870	234,150
Metric tonnes, 1978	162 478	52 694	215 172
Metric tonnes, 1977	160 826	51 592	212 418
% change	1.0	2.1	1.3
Cars, 1978	5,146	2,367	7,513
Cars, 1977	5,474	2,481	7,955
% change	-6.0	-4.6	-5.6
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	12,279,831	10,222,229	22,502,060
Short tons, 1977	11,031,738	10,123,330	21,155,068
Metric tonnes, 1978	11 140 075	9 273 450	20 413 525
Metric tonnes, 1977	10 007 824	9 183 730	19 191 554
% change	11.3	1.0	6.4
Cars, 1978	193,884	156,026	349,910
Cars, 1977	181,361	155,259	336,620
% change	6.9	0.5	3.9
Piggyback traffic**:			
Short tons, 1978	816,689	295,656	1,112,345
Short tons, 1977	775,091	281,439	1,056,530
Metric tonnes, 1978	740 888	268 215	1 009 103
Metric tonnes, 1977	703 151	255 317	958 468
% change	5.4	5.1	5.3
Cars, 1978	24,141	11,981	36,122
Cars, 1977	23,021	12,026	35,047
% change	4.9	-0.4	3.1

* The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

** Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

*** All 1977 figures have been revised. — 1978 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended February 7, 1978
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Canadian railways loaded 3.9 million t (4.3 million short tons) of revenue freight in the above-noted week, a decline of 0.2% from the year-earlier period. Although traffic east of the Lakehead rose 7.7% in the latest seven days, tonnage in the West was down 8.0%. The number of railway cars loaded totalled 66,831, off 2.6% from 1977.

Trailer-container (piggyback) shipments were up 1.3%.

Rail freight loadings in 1978-to-date were 6.4% above the corresponding period in 1977 and the carload count was up 3.9%. Cumulative trailer-container (piggyback) movements registered a 5.3% gain.

For further information, contact Mr. J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Iron Ore, December 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian mines shipped 5,570,198 short tons of iron ore in December compared to 4,270,200 short tons a year earlier. Output for the year 1977 dropped to 59,999,977 short tons from 61,086,065 short tons in 1976.

For further information, order the December issue of *Iron Ore* (26-005, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Husband-Wife Families Showing Age of Husbands, Age of Wives and Lone-Parent Families Showing Age of Parent by Sex, for Canada, 1976*— Advance Information

Data from the 1976 Census of Canada shows that in husband-wife families the greatest percentage of husbands (25.8%) and wives (27.4%) were in the 25-34 years of age group, followed by the 35-44 years of age group where there were 21.5% of all husbands and 20.6% of all wives.

In contrast, the age distribution of lone-parent families by male and female parents reveals that 26.0% of male lone parents were between 45 and 54 years of age and 22.7% were between 35 and 44 years of age. The age distribution of female lone parents shows that 21.2% were in the 25-34 years of age group, 21.6% were from 35-44 years and 21.4% were between 45 and 54 years of age.

* Data in this release have been rounded and tabulated from the 100% count. Future releases will also provide estimates of reliability as well as statements concerning possible sources of error due to coverage, response or processing.

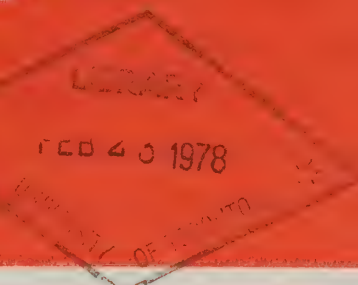
Further information along with more geographic detail will be published early this year in Catalogue 93-824, Bulletin 4-5 (Age of Husbands); Catalogue 93-832, Bulletin SF-2 (Age of Wives); and Catalogue 93-825, Bulletin 4.6 (Age of Lone Parents). In the meantime, further information on age of husbands, wives and lone parents in private households for census divisions (counties, regional districts, regional municipalities, etc.) can be obtained by contacting the Census Information Services (613-996-5254), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T7.

Husband-wife Families Showing Age of Husbands, Age of Wives and Lone-parent Families Showing Age of Parent by Sex, for Canada, 1976

Age	1976	
	Number	%
Husband-wife families	5,168,565	
Husbands	5,168,565	100.0
Under 25 years	338,627	6.6
25-34 years	1,335,831	25.8
35-44 years	1,109,471	21.5
45-54 years	1,025,584	19.8
55-64 years	760,231	14.7
65 years and over	598,819	11.6
Wives	5,168,565	100.0
Under 25 years	623,488	12.1
25-34 years	1,416,838	27.4
35-44 years	1,065,966	20.6
45-54 years	987,599	19.1
55-64 years	674,714	13.1
65 years and over	399,958	7.7
Lone-parent families	559,335	
Male	94,990	100.0
Under 25 years	3,280	3.5
25-34 years	12,275	12.9
35-44 years	21,565	22.7
45-54 years	24,730	26.0
55-64 years	16,065	16.9
65 years and over	17,075	18.0
Female	464,345	100.0
Under 25 years	33,080	7.1
25-34 years	98,660	21.2
35-44 years	100,100	21.6
45-54 years	99,155	21.4
55-64 years	65,765	14.2
65 years and over	67,595	14.6

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Domestic and Foreign Control in the Manufacturing, Mining and Forestry Industries, 1970-72

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Order *Structural Aspects of Domestic and Foreign Control in the Manufacturing, Mining and Forestry Industries* (31-523, \$2.80 in Canada, \$3.35 elsewhere). For further information, contact John McVey (613-995-1073), Chief, Multinational Enterprises Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Security Transactions with Non-residents, October 1977 (67-002, 40¢/\$4)

Canadian Statistical Review, Annual Supplement to Section 1, 1976 (11-206, \$1.05)

Railway Operating Statistics, November 1977 (52-003, 30¢/\$3)

Primary Iron and Steel, November 1977 (41-001, 40¢/\$4)

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Cheques Cashed, December 1977 (61-001, 30¢/\$3)

Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers, December 1977 (46-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Concrete Products, December 1977 (44-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Oil Burners and Oil-fired Hot Water Heaters, December 1977 (41-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather, December 1977 (33-001, 30¢/\$3)

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products, December 1977 (62-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletins:

Science Statistics (13-003, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 2, No. 1, Surveys of Science and Technology (S & T) in the Federal Government

Aviation Statistics Centre (51-004, \$4.20 a year), Vol. 10, No. 2, Canadian Air Transport Industry, Summary Statistics

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 6, 1977: No. 11, Pack of Canned Tomatoes and Tomato Products; No. 12, Pack of Processed Beans, Green and Wax

Large Cultural Institutions, 1976 (Preliminary Statement) — Advance Information

Cultural institutions in Canada with a budget size of over \$40,000 reported total attendance for 1976 of 31,711,934 persons. Of the various institution-types included, historic restorations attracted one of the highest totals with 5,457,030 visitors.

The 226 large institutions reporting received \$121,695,494 in total operating income in 1976. Of this figure, \$39,708,417 originated with the federal government, \$41,614,840 with the provincial level and \$19,496,012 was from local or municipal sources. The bulk of the remainder came from the private sector — individuals, corporations, foundations or related organizations. The various monies received by large cultural institutions were used to employ 2,517 full-time professionals and 3,359 full-time non-professionals.

In 1974 cultural institutions of all sizes, 860 in total, reported attendance of 41,460,866. These same institutions had total operating income in 1974 of \$107,317,937.

Further details will be contained in the forthcoming publication *Museums, Art Galleries and Related Institutions*, 1976 (87-655, 70¢). For further information, contact Mr. John Cotton (613-593-6771), Cultural Institutions Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Dairy Factory Production, January 1978 — Advance Information

Production of creamery butter increased 27.9% in January to 13.8 million pounds from 10.8 million pounds in January 1977. Cheddar cheese production decreased 5.7% to 11.5 million pounds from 12.2 million pounds and production of ice cream mix declined 0.3% to 1.703 million gallons from 1.708 million gallons.

For further information, order the January issue of *Dairy Factory Production* (32-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Oil Pipeline Transport, November 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian oil pipe lines received 2,595,900 barrels per day (412 515 m3D) of crude oil, condensate, pentanes plus and refined petroleum products in November, up 4.0% from the 2,505,400 B/D (398 133 m3D) received a year earlier. Receipts of domestic petroleum and products increased 4.0% to 2,284,200 B/D (362 982 m3D), while imported petroleum and products receipts increased 0.7% to 311,700 B/D (49 532 m3D).

For further information, order the November issue of *Oil Pipe Line Transport* (55-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Stocks of Food Commodities in Cold Storage and Other Warehouses, 1977 — Advance Information

Cold storage holdings of creamery butter increased to 63.4 million pounds at January 1, 1978 from 54.9 million pounds a year earlier, and stocks of cheddar cheese were up to 61.8 million pounds from 55.1 million pounds.

Stocks of skim milk powder decreased 61.3% from 319.8 million pounds and stocks of evaporated whole milk decreased 6.0% from 27.6 million.

Stocks of frozen poultry meat decreased to 71.2 million pounds at January 1, 1978 from 76.4 million pounds a year earlier, and stocks of frozen meats fell to 99.7 million pounds from 125.8 million pounds.

For further information, order the 1977 issue of *Stocks of Food Commodities in Cold Storage and Other Warehouses* (32-217, 70¢), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

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Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Charlottetown, Moncton, Saint John and Sydney by calling the operator and asking for ZENITH 22066. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, February 1, 1978 — Advance Information

Cold storage holdings of creamery butter were up to 62.2 million pounds on February 1 from last year's corresponding total of 47.3 million, and stocks of cheddar cheese were up to 60.7 million pounds from 56.1 million. Stocks of skim milk powder decreased 64.9% to 103.2 million pounds and stocks of evaporated whole milk decreased 23.9% to 18.4 million pounds.

For further information, order the February issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Poultry Processors, 1976 — Advance Information

Poultry processors shipped \$627.9 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 11.6% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 9.4% to \$161.9 million, the number of employees increased 11.4% to 8,801 and total salaries and wages increased 30.5% to \$88.8 million.

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Poultry Processors, 1976* (32-227, 70¢).

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Profile Studies, The Industrial Structure of Canada's Labour Force, 1971 Census of Canada (99-715, \$1)

Population: Demographic Characteristics, Mother Tongue, 1976 Census of Canada (92-821, \$4.25)

The Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Industry, 1976 (26-213, \$1.05)

Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, November 1977 (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50)

Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, October 1977 (35-001, 30¢/\$3)

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Iron Castings and Cast Iron Pipe and Fittings, December 1977 (41-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Specified Domestic Electrical Appliances, December 1977 (43-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Products Made from Canadian Clays, December 1977 (44-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

Specified Chemicals, December 1977 (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Radio Broadcasting, September 1977 (56-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, January 1978 — Advance Information

The consumer price index for each regional city measures price change from one time-period to another within that specific city. Thus, while city CPI's show the movement of prices in each city, they do not indicate price-level differences between cities. Some such inter-city price comparisons are published separately; for references see footnote to ensuing tables.

From December 1977 to January 1978, consumer price indexes rose in 13 regional cities and remained unchanged over-all in Montreal. Advances ranged from 0.1% in Halifax to 0.7% in Ottawa. Higher prices for meat products, soft drinks and restaurant meals along with increased shelter charges were largely responsible for these advances. Other important contributing factors included higher prices for imported cars and seasonally-higher train fares. Prices for fresh produce declined noticeably. Clothing prices were also generally lower across the country.

St. John's

All items: December 1977 to January 1978, up 0.3%; January 1977 to January 1978, up 7.8%.

Main contributors: higher prices for chicken, pork, other meats and fresh fruit while fresh vegetable prices declined. Higher electricity rates and higher prices for imported cars and gasoline. Prices for men's outer-wear declined.

Halifax

All items: December 1977 to January 1978, up 0.1%; January 1977 to January 1978, up 8.9%.

Main contributors: increased prices for pork, poultry and bakery products while prices for fresh produce, coffee and soft drinks declined. Higher shelter charges, increased prices for imported cars and seasonally-higher train fares. Prices declined for men's and women's wear.

Saint John

All items: December 1977 to January 1978, up 0.2%; January 1977 to January 1978, up 8.7%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, pork and chicken while those for fresh produce and margarine declined. Increased shelter charges and electricity rates. Telephone rates and gasoline prices declined.

Québec City

All items: December 1977 to January 1978, up 0.4%; January 1977 to January 1978, up 8.5%.

Main contributors: higher electricity rates; increased prices for meats and chicken while those for fresh fruit decreased. Prices up for imported cars while those for clothing declined.

Montreal

All items: December 1977 to January 1978, no over-all change; January 1977 to January 1978, up 8.7%.

Main contributors: lower food prices, notably for beef, poultry and fresh produce. Higher electricity rates and imported car prices. Clothing prices declined.

Ottawa

All items: December 1977 to January 1978, up 0.7%; January 1977 to January 1978, up 9.0%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef and restaurant meals. Prices for imported cars and local transit fares up while clothing prices declined.

Toronto

All items: December 1977 to January 1978, up 0.6%; January 1977 to January 1978, up 9.2%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, fresh vegetables and restaurant meals. Increased water and electricity rates. Local transit fares and prices for imported cars up while clothing prices declined.

Thunder Bay

All items: December 1977 to January 1978, up 0.4%; January 1977 to January 1978, up 10.1%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, fresh milk and bread while those for fresh vegetables declined. Higher prices for selected clothing items.

Winnipeg

All items: December 1977 to January 1978, up 0.3%; January 1977 to January 1978, up 8.7%.

Main contributors: higher prices for meats, soft drinks, fresh fruit and restaurant meals, offset partially by lower prices for fresh vegetables. Lower prices registered for gasoline and clothing.

Saskatoon

All items: December 1977 to January 1978, up 0.4%; January 1977 to January 1978, up 9.8%.

Main contributors: higher prices for fresh fruit, soft drinks, bread, pork, other meats and restaurant meals while those for beef and fresh vegetables declined. Lower prices for clothing.

Regina

All items: December 1977 to January 1978, up 0.4%; January 1977 to January 1978, up 10.5%.

Main contributors: prices up for soft drinks and poultry while those for beef, bread and fresh vegetables declined. Higher prices for gasoline, imported cars and men's wear.

Edmonton

All items: December 1977 to January 1978, up 0.5%; January 1977 to January 1978, up 10.1%.

Main contributors: increased water rates; higher prices for selected clothing items and for imported cars. Food prices up, particularly for beef, pork, fresh fruit and fresh milk while fresh vegetables prices decreased.

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Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.**

	All items	Food	Hous- ing	Cloth- ing	Trans- porta- tion (1971=100)	Health and personal care	Recre- ation education and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
St. John's								
January 1978 index	171.8	203.9	169.9	139.0	162.1	167.3	140.2	150.8
December 1977 index	171.3	202.4	169.4	139.9	161.8	167.2	140.3	150.8
% change from December 1977	0.3	0.7	0.3	-0.6	0.2	0.1	-0.1	0.0
% change from January 1977	7.8	11.4	8.0	6.1	5.1	4.4	0.3	7.0
Halifax								
January 1978 index	162.0	188.7	159.6	133.9	160.2	152.5	139.1	142.9
December 1977 index	161.9	187.9	159.4	135.6	160.0	152.2	139.2	142.9
% change from December 1977	0.1	0.4	0.1	-1.3	0.1	0.2	-0.1	0.0
% change from January 1977	8.9	13.2	10.5	3.6	4.4	9.0	3.8	5.8
Saint John								
January 1978 index	165.3	194.9	162.0	134.6	159.6	164.4	152.6	136.7
December 1977 index	164.9	193.6	162.1	134.7	159.7	164.1	152.6	136.7
% change from December 1977	0.2	0.7	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0
% change from January 1977	8.7	13.0	9.1	4.9	6.9	6.8	2.8	4.4
Quebec City								
January 1978 index	162.7	192.7	156.0	137.2	159.8	155.8	143.8	149.8
December 1977 index	162.1	191.3	154.6	140.2	159.2	155.4	143.8	149.8
% change from December 1977	0.4	0.7	0.9	-2.1	0.4	0.3	0.0	0.0
% change from January 1977	8.5	12.0	8.1	6.2	5.4	10.6	3.6	7.4
Montreal								
January 1978 index	164.2	193.2	152.9	149.8	159.2	159.3	149.2	151.3
December 1977 index	164.2	194.0	151.5	151.9	158.9	158.8	148.8	151.3
% change from December 1977	0.0	-0.4	0.9	-1.4	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.0
% change from January 1977	8.7	11.8	8.8	7.9	4.1	9.8	4.3	7.2
Ottawa								
January 1978 index	165.0	187.9	161.3	154.4	156.0	158.3	142.2	153.2
December 1977 index	163.9	184.0	160.8	155.6	154.8	158.2	142.3	153.2
% change from December 1977	0.7	2.1	0.3	-0.8	0.8	0.1	-0.1	0.0
% change from January 1977	9.0	14.6	8.0	7.7	5.5	7.4	4.3	9.4
Toronto								
January 1978 index	164.5	191.8	158.9	141.9	156.3	165.9	146.4	149.8
December 1977 index	163.5	189.1	158.2	143.2	154.8	165.6	146.3	149.8
% change from December 1977	0.6	1.4	0.4	-0.9	1.0	0.2	0.1	0.0
% change from January 1977	9.2	15.5	7.9	7.1	4.9	6.6	4.9	8.3
Thunder Bay								
January 1978 index	167.1	193.3	164.6	137.5	167.4	166.3	145.8	147.9
December 1977 index	166.4	190.7	164.3	137.0	167.2	166.0	145.7	147.9
% change from December 1977	0.4	1.4	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.0
% change from January 1977	10.1	16.2	8.7	6.8	7.3	10.0	5.8	8.5
Winnipeg								
January 1978 index	168.0	193.7	171.6	143.7	156.0	162.7	143.8	146.9
December 1977 index	167.5	191.8	171.1	144.1	156.5	162.4	143.8	146.9
% change from December 1977	0.3	1.0	0.3	-0.3	-0.3	0.2	0.0	0.0
% change from January 1977	8.7	14.4	7.7	7.5	6.7	5.2	4.3	4.5
Saskatoon**								
January 1978 index	164.4	188.4	162.0	146.1	154.1	151.2	159.3	150.1
December 1977 index	163.7	186.0	161.4	146.7	153.9	151.3	159.3	150.1
% change from December 1977	0.4	1.3	0.4	-0.4	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.0
% change from January 1977	9.8	14.1	8.9	5.8	10.3	6.1	5.4	11.6
Regina**								
January 1978 index	167.2	184.7	168.1	145.3	159.2	160.2	162.7	150.4
December 1977 index	166.6	183.9	167.7	144.9	157.8	159.2	162.7	150.4
% change from December 1977	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.9	0.6	0.0	0.0
% change from January 1977	10.5	14.2	10.0	7.2	11.7	6.7	5.2	9.6
Edmonton**								
January 1978 index	167.8	191.8	173.5	145.6	159.3	152.6	146.5	140.7
December 1977 index	166.9	190.4	172.4	144.8	158.6	152.5	146.5	140.4
% change from December 1977	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.2
% change from January 1977	10.1	19.1	9.2	6.9	4.7	8.5	4.9	7.4

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The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.**

	All items	Food	Hous- ing	Cloth- ing (1971=100)	Trans- porta- tion (1971=100)	Health and personal care	Recre- ation education and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
Calgary**								
January 1978 index	164.1	183.0	165.3	147.2	158.5	156.5	149.1	142.3
December 1977 index	163.8	181.8	165.3	148.2	158.0	156.3	147.7	142.0
% change from December 1977	0.2	0.7	0.0	-0.7	0.3	0.1	0.9	0.2
% change from January 1977	8.3	13.3	8.0	5.0	5.8	7.8	4.7	6.9
Vancouver								
January 1978 index	168.0	193.4	165.1	147.0	161.5	161.4	141.5	147.1
December 1977 index	167.2	191.9	164.7	146.4	160.5	161.0	141.3	147.4
% change from December 1977	0.5	0.8	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.2	0.1	-0.2
% change from January 1977	7.5	11.1	8.2	5.9	2.7	7.1	5.5	7.0

* For inter-city indexes of retail price differentials refer to Table 14 of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 50¢ \$5.50).

** The indexes for the cities of Saskatoon, Regina, Edmonton and Calgary supersede, as of January 1975, the combined cities series of Saskatoon-Regina and Edmonton-Calgary. For further details see *Retail Prices and Living Costs Service Bulletin* (Statistics Canada Catalogue No. 62-005, Vol. 3, No. 5).

Calgary

All items: December 1977 to January 1978, up 0.2%;
January 1977 to January 1978, up 8.3%.

Main contributors: higher food prices, notably for restaurant meals, meat, milk and turkey while those for fresh produce, bread and eggs declined. Increased prices for newspapers and imported cars. Clothing and furniture prices declined.

Vancouver

All items: December 1977 to January 1978, up 0.5%;
January 1977 to January 1978, up 7.5%.

Main contributors: higher food prices, notably for meats and fresh fruit while fresh vegetable prices declined. Higher prices for imported cars and selected clothing items. Gasoline prices declined slightly.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended February 18, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended February 18 was 306,962 short tons (278 471 t), an increase of 3.5% from the preceding week's total of 296,611 short tons (269 081 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was 296,417 tons (268 905 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 167.5 in the current week, 161.9 a week earlier and 161.8 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Tobacco and Tobacco Products, December 1977 — Advance Information

Stocks of unmanufactured tobacco (domestic and imported) held in December amounted to 116,253 short tons (105 463 t) compared to 120,540 short tons (109 352 t) held in December 1976.

For further information, order the fourth quarter issue of *Tobacco and Tobacco Products Statistics* (32-014, 70¢/\$2.80), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, February 1978 — Advance Information

Total frozen meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of February amounted to 97.6 million pounds compared with 99.7 million last month and 121.7 million a year earlier.

For further information, order the February issue of *Stocks of Frozen Meat Products* (32-012, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Starts by Type of Dwelling, All Areas, Summary by Province

4th Quarter 1977

	Single detached		Two-family		Row		Apartment and other		Total	
	4th Q.	To date	4th Q.	To date	4th Q.	To date	4th Q.	To date	4th Q.	To date
(Number of Dwelling Units)										
Canada	25,261	108,403	5,007	18,373	7,532	26,621	29,687	92,327	67,487	245,724
Newfoundland	421	2,531	14	140	25	85	498	963	958	3,719
Prince Edward Island	90	577	2	16	10	10	139	221	241	824
Nova Scotia	1,063	3,755	54	162	116	376	1,802	3,202	3,035	7,495
New Brunswick	562	3,433	22	91	—	—	235	784	819	4,308
Quebec	6,397	29,511	694	2,138	141	702	5,912	25,229	13,144	57,580
Ontario	6,206	27,899	2,556	10,364	3,593	13,782	9,707	27,085	22,062	79,130
Manitoba	952	4,193	245	834	314	884	638	3,499	2,149	9,410
Saskatchewan	1,844	6,705	300	520	204	490	2,501	5,110	4,849	12,825
Alberta	4,059	14,298	742	2,573	2,059	7,168	4,881	14,036	11,741	38,075
British Columbia	3,667	15,501	378	1,535	1,070	3,124	3,374	12,198	8,489	32,358

For further information, order *Housing Starts and Completions* (64-002, 55¢/\$5.50).**Housing Starts and Completions in Centres of 10,000 Population & Over**

December 1977 — Advance Information

	Starts					Completions				
	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total
Newfoundland	34	—	—	178	212	48	2	—	—	50
Prince Edward Island	12	—	—	123	135	23	4	—	—	27
Nova Scotia	126	12	44	1,163	1,345	256	38	16	831	1,141
New Brunswick	55	2	—	106	163	161	8	—	36	205
Quebec	1,255	163	46	2,007	3,471	1,546	114	21	2,402	4,083
Ontario	1,254	658	1,034	4,369	7,315	1,692	731	1,927	1,683	6,033
Manitoba	192	90	201	296	779	260	132	74	331	797
Saskatchewan	267	46	121	1,278	1,712	418	28	94	150	690
Alberta	689	176	356	2,127	3,348	836	190	1,016	830	2,872
British Columbia	737	128	249	891	2,005	886	63	175	1,140	2,264
Canada	4,621	1,275	2,051	12,538	20,485	6,126	1,310	3,323	7,403	18,162
Metropolitan Areas										
Calgary	439	154	219	661	1,473	314	98	436	503	1,351
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	62	6	—	16	84	67	—	—	24	91
Edmonton	153	10	137	1,357	1,657	432	82	498	316	1,328
Halifax	100	12	44	1,163	1,319	177	38	16	702	933
Hamilton	56	142	101	—	299	82	34	23	—	139
Hull	18	—	—	—	18	45	2	—	16	63
Kitchener	116	58	46	48	268	115	36	87	119	357
London	108	8	82	298	496	180	26	—	30	236
Montreal	487	87	24	1,263	1,861	537	61	18	2,067	2,683
Oshawa	95	60	—	51	206	129	26	4	8	167
Ottawa	95	104	497	695	1,391	21	134	1,208	79	1,442
Quebec	315	42	6	379	742	438	44	—	113	595
Regina	52	6	58	—	116	135	2	94	—	231
St. Catharines-Niagara	92	44	—	—	136	106	40	18	166	330
Saint John	13	2	—	—	15	12	—	—	—	12
St. John's	24	—	—	65	89	19	—	—	—	19
Saskatoon	132	26	—	1,119	1,277	205	24	—	72	301
Sudbury	29	8	—	—	37	93	56	—	—	149
Thunder Bay	31	30	57	114	232	55	2	17	49	123
Toronto	205	148	231	2,750	3,334	379	192	522	1,058	2,151
Vancouver	413	68	234	552	1,267	445	37	165	502	1,149
Victoria	45	34	—	4	83	57	14	—	343	414
Windsor	44	—	—	8	52	56	—	—	30	86
Winnipeg	155	84	201	254	694	230	132	74	331	767
Sub-Total	3,279	1,133	1,937	10,797	17,146	4,329	1,080	3,180	6,528	15,117
Major Urban Areas	360	70	—	589	1,019	608	111	29	213	961
Other areas 10,000 +	982	72	114	1,152	2,320	1,189	119	114	662	2,084
All Areas 10,000 +	4,621	1,275	2,051	12,538	20,485	6,126	1,310	3,323	7,403	18,162

For further information, contact Mr. J.P. Delisle (613-994-9527), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Capacity Utilization Rates in Canadian Manufacturing, Fourth Quarter 1977 — Advance Information

Capacity utilization in Canadian manufacturing industries in the fourth quarter of 1977 remained almost unchanged at a level of 83.5%, showing only a slight 0.1% decline from the third quarter level of 83.6%. This followed a decrease of 0.7% from the second quarter to the third quarter of 1977.

Durable manufacturing showed a marginal increase of 0.1% in the fourth quarter of 1977 to a level of 82.3% of capacity. Wood industries and transportation equipment industries had the larger increases, while the most notable decline occurred in the primary metal industries.

Non-durable manufacturing decreased by 0.4% in the fourth quarter of 1977 to a level of 84.7%. Chemicals and miscellaneous manufacturing industries were the major contributors to the decline.

Capacity utilization rates are now available on CANSIM by quarters for the period 1961-1977 (fourth quarter). The rates cover Canadian manufacturing by major group according to the 1970 Standard Industrial Classification, with aggregates for durable, non-durable and total manufacturing. A description of the methodology used to derive the rates is given in the publication *Capacity Utilization Rates in Canadian Manufacturing* (31-003, \$1.40/\$5.60).

For further information, contact Ms. R. Hoyt (613-994-5601), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. To order any data from CANSIM on magnetic tape or computer printout, contact Mrs. Debby Day (613-995-7406), CANSIM Staff, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z8.

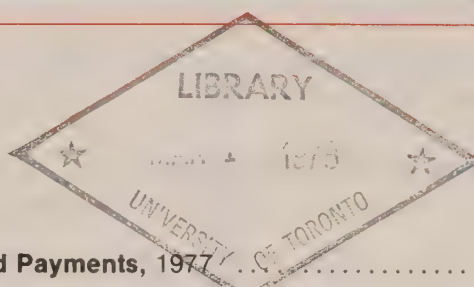
Capacity Utilization Rates by Quarters

	Durable Manufacturing Industries	Non-durable Manufacturing Industries	Total Manufacturing Industries
1961			
I	65.5	83.8	74.7
II	67.5	84.2	75.9
III	68.7	85.9	77.4
IV	70.6	86.5	78.6
1962			
I	71.6	86.9	79.3
II	74.4	87.9	81.2
III	75.8	88.0	81.9
IV	76.5	87.1	81.8
1963			
I	76.9	87.5	82.2
II	78.2	88.6	83.4
III	78.1	88.8	83.5
IV	82.0	89.5	85.7
1964			
I	84.3	91.2	87.8
II	84.2	91.4	87.8
III	84.6	90.9	87.8
IV	86.0	91.9	89.0
1965			
I	88.9	91.0	89.9
II	90.3	90.3	90.3
III	89.8	91.4	90.6
IV	93.4	92.3	92.9
1966			
I	93.7	92.8	93.2
II	91.5	92.3	91.9
III	89.2	91.1	90.2
IV	89.7	90.7	90.2

	Durable Manufacturing Industries	Non-durable Manufacturing Industries	Total Manufacturing Industries
1967			
I	87.7	89.8	88.8
II	86.3	89.3	87.8
III	86.1	89.8	87.9
IV	85.4	88.7	87.1
1968			
I	83.0	89.1	86.1
II	86.8	89.2	88.0
III	88.6	88.0	88.3
IV	90.2	90.1	90.2
1969			
I	90.8	91.1	91.0
II	90.7	90.9	90.8
III	89.0	91.5	90.3
IV	87.4	90.4	88.9
1970			
I	86.4	89.8	88.1
II	82.7	88.0	85.4
III	81.1	86.7	83.9
IV	77.4	87.8	82.6
1971			
I	81.2	87.0	84.2
II	82.6	87.4	85.0
III	83.7	89.2	86.5
IV	84.3	89.3	86.8
1972			
I	84.7	89.4	87.0
II	85.2	90.5	87.9
III	85.3	90.3	87.8
IV	88.0	92.0	90.0
1973			
I	91.3	92.6	92.0
II	90.5	93.8	92.2
III	90.6	92.0	91.3
IV	91.5	93.3	92.4
1974			
I	92.4	94.1	93.2
II	90.7	93.1	91.9
III	89.4	91.0	90.2
IV	87.3	88.4	87.9
1975			
I	81.1	86.5	83.8
II	80.8	85.3	83.1
III	80.5	83.7	82.1
IV	81.7	83.4	82.5
1976			
I	82.5	85.6	84.1
II	83.3	87.1	85.2
III	82.2	85.7	84.0
IV	80.7	85.2	83.0
1977			
I	82.1	86.2	84.1
II	82.5	86.2	84.3
III	82.2	85.1	83.6
IV	82.3	84.7	83.5

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Receipts and Payments on International Travel

	1976					1977p				
	QI	QII	QIII	QIV	Year	QI	QII	QIII	QIV	Year
						(\$ millions)				
United States										
Receipts	136	328	687	195	1,346	140	403	756	210	1,509
Payments	566	493	539	358	1,956	671	579	654	374	2,278
Balance	-430	-165	148	-163	-610	-531	-176	102	-164	-769
All Other Countries										
Receipts	53	151	294	86	584	52	139	223	83	497
Payments	312	270	367	216	1,165	361	315	448	259	1,383
Balance	-259	-119	-73	-130	-581	-309	-176	-225	-176	-886
Total All Countries										
Receipts	189	479	981	281	1,930	192	542	979	293	2,006
Payments	878	763	906	574	3,121	1,032	894	1,102	633	3,661
Balance	-689	-284	75	-293	-1,191	-840	-352	-123	-340	-1,655

p Preliminary estimates.

For further information, order the October-December issue of *Travel Between Canada and Other Countries* (66-001, \$1.75/\$7), or contact Mr. M.W. Valiquette (613-995-0847), International Travel Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

International Travel Receipts and Payments, 1977 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates for 1977 show that Canada earned \$2,006 million from international travel, up 3.9% from 1976, while Canadians travelling abroad spent \$3,661 million, 17.3% above 1976. This resulted in a deficit of \$1,655 million on international travel.

The 31.8 million United States visitors, down 1.4% from 1976, spent \$1,509 million in this country while the expenditures of the 37.9 million Canadians visiting the U.S., up 5.5% over 1976, were \$2,278 million for an estimated deficit of \$769 million.

Receipts from countries other than the U.S. reached \$497 million when 1.4 million visitors entered Canada, 9.7% lower than the Olympic year of 1976. However, when compared to 1975, the number of 1977 visitors represents an increase of 7.3%. On the other hand, the 1.8 million Canadians travelling in these countries, up 12.3% over 1976, contributed to payments of \$1,383 million, which led to a deficit of \$886 million.

The fourth quarter's figures suggest that some levelling off in the decline in visitors may be underway, as well as some moderation in the rate at which the

deficit has been deteriorating in recent quarters. However, any changing trends in travel patterns which may be developing are difficult to substantiate until further data become available.

For further information, contact Mr. M.W. Valiquette (613-995-0847), International Travel Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile, January 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 3,842 short tons (3 485 t) or 7,941,051 square feet (737 748 m²) of vinyl-asbestos floor tile in January compared to 3,843 short tons (3 486 t) or 8,221,938 square feet (763 843 m²) in January 1977.

For further information, order the January issue of *Production and Shipments of Floor Tiles* (47-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Industrial Corporations' Financial Statistics

Fourth Quarter 1977

	Sales		Year-over-Year Change Net income before Extraordinary items		Net income after Extraordinary items	
	(\$ millions)	%	(\$ millions)	%	(\$ millions)	%
All industries						
4th Qtr. 1977	67,857		2,846		2,812	
4th Qtr. 1976	60,991		2,189		2,173	
change	6,866	11.3	657	30.0	639	29.4
Mining industries						
4th Qtr. 1977	4,408		584		544	
4th Qtr. 1976	4,100		524		506	
change	308	7.5	60	11.5	38	7.5
Manufacturing industries						
4th Qtr. 1977	32,650		1,450		1,464	
4th Qtr. 1976	29,116		1,012		1,010	
change	3,534	12.1	438	43.3	454	45.0
Other industries						
4th Qtr. 1977	30,799		812		804	
4th Qtr. 1976	27,775		653		657	
change	3,024	10.9	159	24.3	147	22.4

Industrial Corporations, Financial Statistics (Preliminary Data), Fourth Quarter 1977 — (61-003P, free to subscribers)

The accompanying table presents highlights of preliminary financial statistics of Canadian industrial corporations for the fourth quarter of 1977.

It should be noted that fourth quarter profits have been affected by the inventory tax credit introduced in the March budget but enacted into law in December 1977. This change in legislation resulted in a greater reduction of the tax provision relative to fourth quarter profits as the majority of companies adjusted their tax liability in this quarter for the whole of calendar year 1977.

Pulpwood and Wood Residue, December 1977 — Advance Information

Roundwood production decreased 3.5% to 1,177,890 cunits (3 335 000 m³) in December from 1,220,706 (3 457 000 m³) in December 1976. Consumption of roundwood and wood residue decreased 4.9% to 2,210,694 cunits (6 260 000 m³) from 2,325,001 (6 583 000 m³) and closing inventory of these two products decreased 8.5% to 10,488,322 cunits (29 699 000 m³) from 11,461,467 (32 456 000 m³). Receipts of wood residue decreased 5.2% to 908,341 cunits (2 573 000 m³) from 958,283 (2 714 000 m³).

For further information, order the December issue of *Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics* (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, November 1977 — Advance Information

Crude petroleum production for November amounted to 1,592,000 barrels a day, up 7.2% from 1,485,000 B/D in November 1976.

Natural gas production for the latest period averaged 10,606,000 Mcf./D, an increase of 4.9% from 10,114,000 Mcf./D in November 1976.

For further information, order the November issue of *Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production* (26-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production and Shipments of Plastic Bottles, October-December 1977

There were 146,427,000 plastic bottles produced during the December quarter, up from 137,112,000 in the same quarter of 1976. Shipments of plastic bottles (excluding intra-company transfers) amounted to 111,647,000 compared to 105,198,000 in October-December 1976. These shipments were valued f.o.b. plant at \$10,826,000 in 1977 compared to \$9,222,000 in 1976.

For further information, order the December issue of *Rubber and Plastic Products Industries Service Bulletin* (47-002, \$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. Rod Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Tobacco Products — Cigarettes and Cigars, January 1978 — Advance Information

Production of cigarettes for January amounted to 5.5 billion compared to 5.6 billion for January 1977. Production of cigars totalled 38.8 million, down from 45.2 million in January 1977.

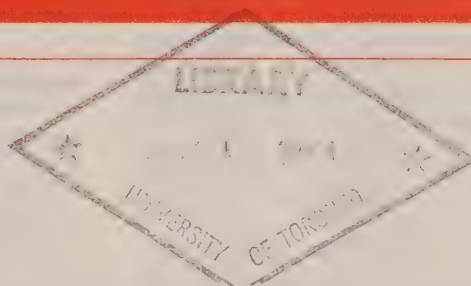
For further information, order the January issue of *Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products* (32-022, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Provincial Government Finance, 1975-76 (correction)

The notation "Estimates" should not have appeared in the table on Provincial Government Finance, 1975-76 (Daily Bulletin, Thursday, February 16, 1978) since the figures shown were final actual data.

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Department Store Sales and Stocks, November 1977 (63-002, 40¢/\$4)

Copper and Nickel Production, December 1977 (26-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Iron Ore, December 1977 (26-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletin:

Communications (56-001, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 8, No. 2, Cable Television Statistics, 1976

Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, December 1977 — Advance Information

The preliminary estimate of manufacturers' shipments in December 1977, seasonally adjusted, was \$9,688.7 million, up 4.1% from the revised November level of \$9,307.8 million. Durable goods industries' shipments rose 2.8% to \$4,412.6 million from \$4,290.5 million and those of non-durable goods industries increased 5.2% to \$5,276.1 million from \$5,017.3 million. The preliminary estimate of the total dollar value of manufacturers' shipments for 1977 is \$109,798.3 million, up 11.4% from the corresponding 1976 value of \$98,597.3 million.

New orders in all manufacturing industries, seasonally adjusted, rose 2.1% in December to \$9,681.0 million from \$9,482.4 million in November. Durable goods new orders dropped 1.6% to \$4,370.2 million from \$4,442.7 million but non-durable goods new orders increased 5.4% to \$5,310.8 million from \$5,039.7 million. Unfilled orders in December, seasonally adjusted, were estimated at \$10,815.6 million, 0.1% below the revised November value of \$10,823.3 million.

Total inventory owned, seasonally adjusted, was estimated at \$18,510.2 million, 0.3% below the revised November estimate of \$18,573.1 million. Total inventory held, seasonally adjusted, was estimated at \$19,672.9 million, fractionally below the revised November estimate of \$19,702.9 million with decreases of 0.4% and 1.6% in raw materials and finished products and an increase of 2.0% in goods in process.

The seasonally-adjusted ratio of total inventory owned to shipments in December was 1.91:1 compared to 2.00:1 (revised) for November. The finished products to shipments ratio was 0.66:1, down from the revised November ratio of 0.70:1.

Not adjusted for seasonal variation, manufacturers' shipments in December were estimated at \$9,181.2 million, down 6.6% from the revised November value of \$9,828.4 million.

For further information, order the December issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact H.D. Wightman (613-996-7008), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

(see tables on next page)

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, February 1, 1978 — Advance Information

Stocks of fruits, frozen and in preservatives, in storages and factories on February 1 totalled 37.3 million pounds compared with 33.1 million a year earlier. Holdings of vegetables, frozen and in brine, totalled 131.2 million pounds (131.7 million in 1977).

For further information, order the February issue of *Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables* (32-010, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Refractories Manufacturers, 1976 — Advance Information

Refractories manufacturers shipped \$66.2 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, down 5.2% from 1975. Total value added by the industry decreased 3.1% to \$44.4 million, the number of employees increased 5.5% to 1,330 and total salaries and wages increased 13.7% to \$19.0 million.

For further information, contact J.L. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Refractories Manufacturers, 1976* (44-214, 70¢).

Manufacturers of Lubricating Oils and Greases, 1976 — Advance Information

Manufacturers of lubricating oils and greases shipped \$105.5 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 12.9% from 1975. Total value added by the industry was unchanged at \$32.6 million, the number of employees decreased 8.2% to 602 and total salaries and wages increased 5.2% to \$8.6 million.

For further information, contact J.L. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Petroleum Refineries, 1976* (45-205, 70¢).

Manufacturers of Pigments and Dry Colours, 1976 — Advance Information

Manufacturers of pigments and dry colours shipped \$132.4 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 18.4% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 27.6% to \$73.5 million, the number of employees increased 2.0% to 1,585 and total salaries and wages increased 24.3% to \$24.5 million.

For further information, contact J.L. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Industrial Chemicals, 1976* (46-219, 70¢).

Report on Livestock Surveys: Cattle, Sheep, January 1, 1978 — Advance Information

Total cattle and calves in Canada (excluding Newfoundland) at January 1, 1978 were estimated at 12,869,500 head, down 6% from January 1, 1977. Beef cows were estimated at 3,949,200 head, down 7%. Cattle being fattened or finished for slaughter in Ontario and the Prairie Provinces were estimated at 2,780,500 head, down 6% from January 1, 1977.

Total sheep and lamb numbers in Canada (excluding Newfoundland) at January 1, 1978 were estimated at 382,900 head, down 6% from a year earlier.

For further information, order the January 1, 1978 *Report on Livestock Surveys: Cattle, Sheep* (23-004, 70¢/\$1.40), or contact Elizabeth Leckie (613-994-9964), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Estimated Value of Shipments, Inventories and Orders in All Manufacturing Industries

(Based on 1974 Census of Manufacturers Benchmarks)

	Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
	Dec. 1977p	Nov. 1977r	Oct. 1977	Dec. 1976
	(\$ millions)			
Shipments: Total	9,181.2	9,828.4	9,804.2	8,293.0
Non-durable	5,096.4	5,233.2	5,221.4	4,581.3
Durable	4,084.8	4,595.2	4,582.8	3,711.7
New Orders: Total	9,241.1	9,988.0	9,870.9	8,133.7
Non-durable	5,111.3	5,231.2	5,233.8	4,560.0
Durable	4,129.8	4,756.8	4,637.2	3,573.7
Unfilled Orders: Total	10,849.3	10,789.4	10,629.8	9,524.0
Non-durable	1,480.8	1,465.9	1,467.9	1,361.4
Durable	9,368.5	9,323.5	9,161.9	8,162.6
Inventory Owned: Total	18,473.5	18,388.8	18,035.3	16,989.9
Inventory Held: Total	19,613.6	19,529.2	19,146.0	17,936.0
Raw materials	8,003.4	7,870.5	7,779.1	7,491.0
Goods in process	5,323.3	5,323.0	5,191.8	4,722.3
Finished Products	6,286.9	6,335.7	6,175.1	5,722.7
	Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Shipments: Total	9,688.7	9,307.8	9,555.1	8,591.0
Non-durable	5,276.1	5,017.3	5,118.2	4,695.0
Durable	4,412.6	4,290.5	4,436.9	3,896.0
New Orders: Total	9,681.0	9,482.4	9,567.9	8,395.8
Non-durable	5,310.8	5,039.7	5,091.8	4,691.2
Durable	4,370.2	4,442.7	4,476.1	3,704.6
Unfilled Orders: Total	10,815.6	10,823.3	10,648.7	9,521.0
Non-durable	1,526.3	1,491.6	1,469.2	1,401.5
Durable	9,289.3	9,331.7	9,179.5	8,119.5
Inventory Owned: Total	18,510.2	18,573.1	18,255.6	17,010.3
Inventory Held: Total	19,672.9	19,702.9	19,351.5	17,976.4
Raw materials	7,848.6	7,878.4	7,780.6	7,341.4
Goods in process	5,398.1	5,291.9	5,193.0	4,790.4
Finished products	6,426.2	6,532.6	6,377.9	5,844.6
Ratio of Total Inventory Owned to Shipments	1.91	2.00	1.91	1.98
Ratio of Finished Products to Shipments	0.66	0.70	0.67	0.68

Estimated Value of Shipments of Own Manufacture by Province of Origin

	Not Seasonally Adjusted					
	Dec. 1977p	Nov. 1977r	% change	Jan.-Dec. 1977p	Jan.-Dec. 1976	% change
	(\$ millions)			(\$ millions)		
Newfoundland	54.5	61.8	-11.9	656.4	585.9	12.0
Nova Scotia	205.2	209.9	-2.3	2,225.1	1,978.8	12.4
New Brunswick	178.6	182.4	-2.0	2,098.8	1,859.4	12.9
Quebec	2,452.4	2,478.9	-1.1	28,145.3	25,791.6	9.1
Ontario	4,547.8	5,121.2	-11.2	55,893.3	50,291.4	11.1
Manitoba	245.5	245.1	0.2	2,929.8	2,748.2	6.6
Saskatchewan	103.6	114.5	-9.5	1,357.7	1,218.5	11.4
Alberta	506.6	526.5	-3.8	6,118.4	5,273.4	16.0
British Columbia	874.7	873.7	0.1	10,229.3	8,718.6	17.3
Canada*	9,181.2	9,828.4	-6.6	109,798.3	98,597.3	11.4

*Includes Prince Edward Island, the Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

p Preliminary figures.

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NOTE: Figures may not add due to rounding.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

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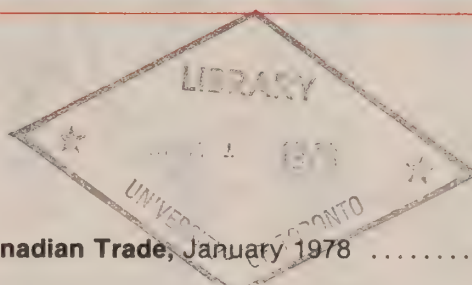
	Number stocks priced	Feb. 17/78 This week	Feb. 10/78 Week ago	Jan. 18/77 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	96.8	97.5	97.1
Industrials	85	90.1	91.5	91.2
Foods	9	101.1	99.6	98.4
Alcoholic beverages	5	81.9	82.4	78.3
Textiles and clothing	3	122.8	122.4	119.5
Pulp and paper	7	115.4	116.2	111.3
Printing and publishing	5	95.6	93.6	92.6
Primary metals	4	98.5	97.9	96.3
Industrial mines	6	63.1	64.3	65.6
Metal fabricating	9	159.3	173.3	172.2
Non-metallic minerals	4	97.6	98.8	97.2
Petroleum	8	97.4	100.0	102.0
Chemicals	5	105.3	102.1	101.1
Construction	5	270.6	273.7	272.0
Trade	15	79.8	80.2	78.6
Utilities and services	28	102.0	102.1	102.7
Transportation	6	127.0	127.0	125.9
Pipelines	5	88.8	88.7	89.6
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	107.1	106.9	107.2
Telephone	4	107.2	106.8	107.2
Electric power	3	133.4	131.1	135.8
Gas distribution	5	82.8	84.5	85.6
Finances	21	122.7	120.4	118.1
Banks	8	124.2	120.7	118.0
Investment and loan	9	115.4	116.0	116.2
Insurance	4	137.2	137.3	130.3
Mining Index	17	125.8	124.0	127.9
Gold	9	280.7	272.2	283.2
Base metals	8	51.6	53.0	53.5
Uraniums	2	186.7	183.8	177.6
Primary oils and gas index	5	127.8	129.6	131.6

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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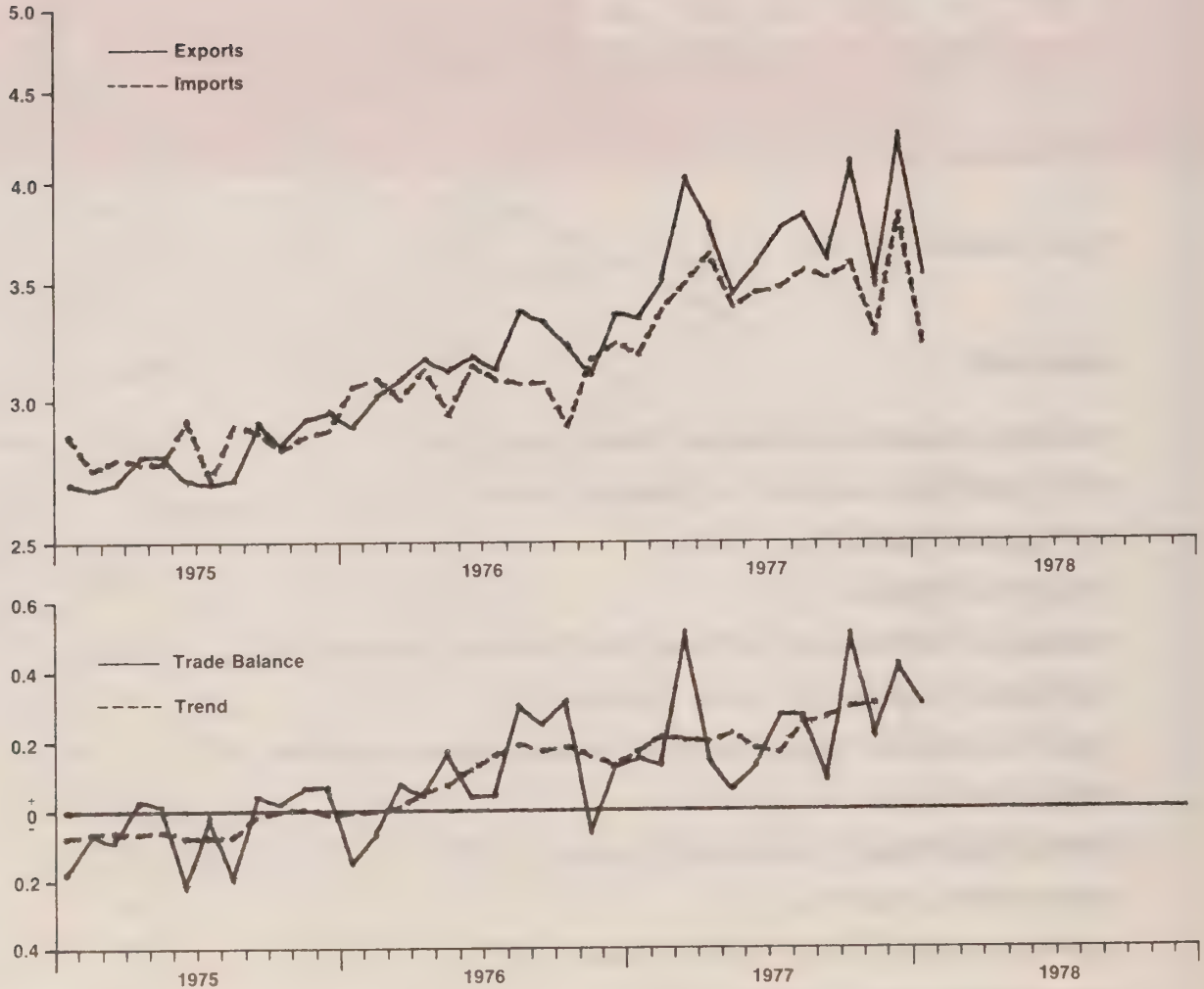
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EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE: ALL COUNTRIES

Seasonally Adjusted
Balance of Payments Basis
Billions of Dollars



Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, January 1978 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily and Infomat

Both exports and imports, seasonally adjusted on a balance-of-payments basis, fell sharply in January, following more substantial increases in the preceding month. Unusually severe winter weather conditions in Canada and abroad contributed to the January decline. Exports dropped 16.9% to \$3,525 million, which was slightly higher than the November total. Imports declined 15.5% to \$3,219 million, a shade under the level for November. At \$306 million, the merchandise trade surplus for January stood 29.7% below the revised surplus of \$435 million for December.

Both exports and imports for the three months ending in January dropped from the period preceding, but much less sharply than in the latest single month. Exports declined 2.2% to \$11,234 million, and imports 3.3% to \$10,283 million. The surplus rose 10.3% to \$951 million in the months of November-January from \$862 million in August-October.

Exports (Customs Basis)

Following a rise of some 17.5% in December, seasonally-adjusted exports to the United States declined nearly 8% to \$2,747 million. This total corresponded with about the average level for the final quarter of 1977. The value of shipments at \$8,267 million for the three months ending in January was, however, 6% higher than exports for the August-October period.

After a sharp recovery in December, seasonally-adjusted exports to overseas countries fell some 38.5% to \$779 million, the smallest total in the past 12 months. The relative drop in exports for the months of November-January to \$2,888 million was about half as great. This decline was distributed 10.5% to the European Economic Community, 21.5% to Japan and 68% to the remaining countries.

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Merchandise Trade of Canada

	Customs Basis*		Balance of Payments Basis*				Trade Balance
	Unadjusted		Unadjusted	Seasonally Adjusted			
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports (\$ millions)	Exports	Imports	
1976							
Third Quarter	9,359	8,727	9,289	8,575	9,820	9,220	600
Fourth Quarter	9,876	9,549	10,009	9,452	9,671	9,296	375
1977							
First Quarter	10,294	9,941	10,299	9,826	10,842	10,046	796
Second Quarter	11,551	11,421	11,602	11,239	10,782	10,451	331
Third Quarter	10,587	9,899	10,620	9,859	11,148	10,522	626
Fourth Quarter	11,767	10,809	12,044	10,734	11,793	10,639	1,154
1977							
August	3,519	3,373	3,515	3,362	3,814	3,545	269
September	3,510	3,282	3,590	3,293	3,593	3,509	84
October	4,046	3,710	4,192	3,691	4,084	3,575	509
November	3,660	3,611	3,776	3,578	3,466	3,256	210
December	4,061	3,488	4,076	3,465	4,243	3,808	435
1978							
January	3,455	3,143	3,454	3,134	3,525	3,219	306

*In the above table, export and import totals are shown on both a "customs" and a "balance-of-payments" basis. The figures on a customs basis are the totals of detailed merchandise trade data tabulated from customs documents according to procedures and concepts explained in Summary of External Trade. The figures on a balance-of-payments basis reflect a number of adjustments applied to the customs totals to make them consistent with the concepts and definitions used in the system of national accounts. The adjustments include timing adjustments to exports of crude petroleum, natural gas and wheat and to receipts and payments for capital equipment deduction of transportation charges included in the customs returns and the reduction of import values calculated for customs duty purposes to values which reflect transaction prices. For more information about these adjustments, please refer to Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments (67-001, \$1.05/\$4.20).

Seasonally-adjusted shipments of wheat declined in January by about \$75 million from the high level of the preceding month, due to storm-delayed rail deliveries, bunching of ocean vessels in west coast ports and a shortage of longshoremen. Exports of metallic ores and non-ferrous metals fell some \$125 million from December. Seasonally-adjusted exports of motor vehicles and components dropped by roughly \$100 million in January, largely on account of declining auto sales and vehicle production and growing inventories in the U.S. Sizable reductions in exports of forestry products, other industrial materials and machinery were also recorded in January.

Imports (Customs Basis)

Following an increase of 11% in December, seasonally-adjusted imports from the U.S. dropped roughly 12.5% to \$2,280 million in January, which was a shade below the total for the same month in 1977. Imports for the latest three-month period declined more moderately: to \$7,233 million from \$7,380 million in the months of August-October.

At \$948 million, seasonally-adjusted imports in January from overseas countries stood about 23.5% below the high December total and also slightly under the November rate. Imports in the months of November-January fell less drastically to \$3,143 million from \$3,310 million in the preceding three-month period.

The January decline in imports was spread over many commodities, led by landings of crude oil, which fell by some \$150 million from exceptional December

deliveries. More moderate but significant declines occurred in seasonally-adjusted imports of fruits, vegetables, chemicals, steel and other fabricated materials, machinery and automotive products.

For further information on area and commodity trade, order the January issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

(see tables on pages 4 to 9)

Federal Government Employment in Metropolitan Areas, September 1977 — Advance Information

General government employees of the federal government numbered 275,436 in Canadian metropolitan areas in September 1977, with a regular monthly payroll of \$462,745,000 (includes an extra pay period). The data include 36,991 members of the Canadian Armed Forces with salaries of \$50,607,000.

Details by sex, occupational category and department are available now. Direct information requests to Mr. T. Moore (613-995-0669), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6; or order the September issue of *Federal Government Employment in Metropolitan Areas* (72-205, 70¢).

Table 1
Imports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1976							
Third Quarter	9,371.4	7,017.3	6,457.2	264.9	2,649.3	503.9	394.5
Fourth Quarter	9,393.2	7,082.7	6,473.7	304.0	2,615.5	534.7	406.4
1977							
First Quarter	10,199.6	7,434.2	7,143.4	307.3	2,748.9	565.7	428.3
Second Quarter	10,675.2	7,733.0	7,587.9	323.7	2,763.6	598.8	440.1
Third Quarter	10,603.3	7,880.1	7,427.9	326.2	2,849.2	627.6	459.2
Fourth Quarter	10,755.5	7,831.1	7,481.0	328.7	2,945.8	573.7	487.5
1977							
August	3,569.6	2,742.2	2,417.0	123.0	1,029.6	228.3	172.8
September	3,512.1	2,626.5	2,434.0	104.0	974.1	213.6	152.0
October	3,608.0	2,644.0	2,528.4	109.2	970.4	180.8	170.8
November	3,301.4	2,346.5	2,347.3	107.9	846.2	185.0	139.9
December	3,846.1	2,840.6	2,605.3	111.6	1,129.2	207.9	176.9
1978							
January	3,228.3	2,284.9	2,280.6	92.6	855.1	194.7	153.3
			Percent changes				
January/December	-16.0	-19.5	-12.4	-17.0	-24.2	-6.3	-13.3
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	-2.9	-6.7	-1.9	-7.1	-4.8	-5.6	-5.1
Jan. 78/Jan. 77	-0.0	-2.5	-0.2	-2.6	0.7	12.2	12.4

Table 2
Imports by Principal Trading Areas

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Jan. 1977	Dec. 1976	Nov. 1976	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.
	(\$ millions)								
United States	2,104.8	2,366.8	2,647.7	2,032.0	2,189.7	2,443.1	3.5	8.0	8.3
United Kingdom	95.2	99.0	104.3	89.0	83.7	114.1	6.9	18.3	-8.6
Other E.E.C.	190.1	195.5	188.3	162.8	161.6	188.3	16.7	21.0	0.0
Japan	159.7	163.1	164.6	132.5	132.2	159.5	20.5	23.3	3.2
Other O.E.C.D.	102.3	139.3	88.7	103.6	121.8	105.3	-1.2	14.4	-15.7
Other America	241.2	174.7	205.5	206.2	139.0	167.6	16.9	25.6	22.6
Other Countries	249.2	349.6	211.7	283.1	244.0	306.5	-11.9	43.3	-30.9
All Countries	3,142.5	3,488.0	3,610.8	3,009.2	3,072.0	3,484.4	4.4	13.5	3.6
	Year-to-Date						Jan.-Jan. Percent Changes		
	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Jan. 1977	Dec. 1976	Jan. 1976	Dec. 1975	78/77	77/76	
United States	2,104.8	29,552.0	2,032.0	25,736.1	1,838.1	23,616.3	3.5	10.5	
United Kingdom	95.2	1,281.3	89.0	1,152.2	96.0	1,221.9	6.9	-7.3	
Other E.E.C.	190.1	2,357.1	162.8	2,028.0	157.3	2,073.9	16.7	3.5	
Japan	159.7	1,802.5	132.5	1,525.3	115.4	1,205.3	20.5	14.8	
Other O.E.C.D.	102.3	1,256.0	103.6	1,230.4	99.8	1,194.4	-1.2	3.7	
Other America	241.2	2,446.1	206.2	2,055.6	207.3	1,802.2	16.9	-0.5	
Other Countries	249.2	3,373.9	283.1	3,740.5	390.0	3,576.7	-11.9	-27.4	
All Countries	3,142.5	42,068.9	3,009.2	37,468.1	2,903.9	34,690.7	4.4	3.6	

Table 3
Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Jan. 1977	Dec. 1976	Nov. 1976	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	2.3	3.3	4.9	3.5	4.4	8.7	-35.1	-26.3	-43.5
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	225.6	288.6	270.1	224.0	246.2	262.1	0.7	17.2	3.0
Meat and fish	39.3	46.1	44.8	37.7	48.2	54.2	3.9	-4.4	-17.3
Fruits and vegetables	69.1	92.1	80.6	62.7	77.6	77.9	10.1	18.7	3.5
Raw sugar	10.0	31.9	18.5	22.6	23.1	13.2	-55.8	37.9	40.6
Crude Materials, Inedible	423.3	459.9	384.3	436.9	339.9	427.0	-3.1	35.3	-9.9
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	33.2	47.3	39.1	35.0	47.8	30.8	-5.0	-1.1	26.9
Coal	14.7	38.9	56.9	25.2	42.2	64.8	-41.5	-7.6	-12.1
Crude petroleum	296.0	303.7	224.5	292.7	173.6	261.6	1.1	74.9	-14.1
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	512.9	588.2	607.0	474.6	491.8	573.1	8.0	19.6	5.9
Wood and paper	46.0	52.1	57.7	50.0	48.5	56.2	-8.0	7.5	2.7
Textiles	74.0	72.5	71.2	67.2	64.5	75.3	10.0	12.3	-5.4
Chemicals	147.4	155.8	168.2	133.0	133.2	148.2	10.8	16.9	13.4
Iron and steel	59.0	83.9	82.8	55.7	59.0	83.4	5.8	42.1	-0.7
Bars and rods, steel	7.1	10.8	9.9	8.8	7.8	12.6	-18.5	39.7	-21.6
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	20.5	27.9	27.5	17.5	15.3	21.4	17.3	82.0	28.5
Non-ferrous metals	36.9	58.1	55.6	33.4	49.8	49.2	10.4	16.6	12.9
End Products, Inedible	1,913.2	2,109.5	2,308.5	1,837.0	1,952.5	2,170.0	4.1	8.0	6.3
General purpose machinery	106.2	120.6	125.7	97.6	101.6	131.8	8.7	18.6	-4.6
Special industry machinery	151.4	156.9	155.9	157.7	148.0	165.3	-4.0	6.0	-5.6
Machine tools, metalworking	16.1	12.5	13.6	11.5	12.9	16.7	39.7	-3.3	-18.7
Agricultural machinery and tractors	82.3	96.0	91.1	111.7	101.3	110.3	-26.3	-5.2	-17.4
Transportation equipment	912.8	1,000.6	1,221.4	830.3	946.4	1,016.7	9.9	5.7	20.1
Passenger automobiles and chassis	224.8	276.1	308.9	189.1	264.6	330.6	18.9	4.3	-6.5
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	57.0	73.7	86.9	64.0	72.6	73.9	-10.9	1.4	17.5
Other motor vehicles	25.1	30.5	25.9	22.2	25.3	30.0	13.2	20.2	-13.4
Motor vehicle engines	44.9	45.4	60.2	36.5	35.8	48.2	22.9	26.8	24.8
Motor vehicle engine parts	56.1	59.3	73.4	49.7	50.0	52.3	12.7	18.7	40.4
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	424.0	427.4	585.3	384.1	408.8	408.8	10.3	4.5	43.1
Aircraft, complete with engines	2.3	10.4	5.6	7.1	17.0	5.3	-67.0	-39.0	5.9
Other equipment and tools	360.3	398.6	396.9	343.6	355.6	402.7	4.8	12.1	-1.4
Electronic computers	51.8	54.4	45.7	44.2	39.3	42.0	17.3	38.5	8.8
Special Transactions, Trade	65.3	38.7	36.0	33.2	37.1	43.6	96.4	4.2	-17.3
Total	3,142.5	3,488.0	3,610.8	3,009.2	3,072.0	3,484.4	4.4	13.5	3.6

Table 3 (Continued)

Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

			Year-to-Date				Dec.-Dec. Percent Changes	
	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Jan. 1977	Dec. 1976	Jan. 1976	Dec. 1975	78/77	77/76
	(\$ millions)							
Live Animals	2.3	52.2	3.5	108.6	4.2	75.3	-35.1	-16.5
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	225.6	3,255.4	224.0	2,762.2	194.7	2,606.7	0.7	15.0
Meat and fish	39.3	533.6	37.7	545.7	38.0	337.7	3.9	-0.5
Fruits and vegetables	69.1	1,038.7	62.7	860.8	64.1	773.5	10.1	-2.1
Raw sugar	10.0	219.9	22.6	249.3	11.3	459.2	-55.8	99.0
Crude Materials, Inedible	423.3	5,287.9	436.9	5,085.1	573.6	5,085.6	-3.1	-23.8
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	33.2	514.6	35.0	424.5	26.9	468.4	-5.0	30.0
Coal	14.7	617.7	25.2	544.3	42.5	576.3	-41.5	-40.6
Crude petroleum	296.0	3,243.2	292.7	3,273.9	423.2	3,301.9	1.1	-30.8
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	512.9	7,010.1	474.6	6,217.8	495.5	5,944.2	8.0	-4.2
Wood and paper	46.0	685.6	50.0	736.5	71.9	644.6	-8.0	-30.4
Textiles	74.0	889.7	67.2	840.6	78.8	740.4	10.0	-14.6
Chemicals	147.4	2,010.0	133.0	1,681.5	128.6	1,475.7	10.8	3.3
Iron and steel	59.0	869.2	55.7	722.0	53.7	936.8	5.8	3.7
Bars and rods, steel	7.1	105.1	8.8	90.7	6.5	136.1	-18.5	34.8
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	20.5	269.8	17.5	206.4	15.6	276.9	17.3	12.0
Non-ferrous metals	36.9	531.2	33.4	493.6	33.7	426.6	10.4	-1.0
End Products, Inedible	1,913.2	26,042.2	1,837.0	22,789.4	1,606.8	20,654.3	4.1	14.3
General purpose machinery	106.2	1,425.0	97.6	1,313.8	115.8	1,347.7	8.7	-15.6
Special industry machinery	151.4	2,064.0	157.7	1,907.2	150.7	1,860.2	-4.0	4.6
Machine tools, metalworking	16.1	169.8	11.5	145.6	12.8	172.2	39.7	-9.4
Agricultural machinery and tractors	82.3	1,334.9	111.7	1,318.7	95.6	1,220.3	-26.3	16.7
Transportation equipment	912.8	12,424.3	830.3	10,304.1	677.7	9,548.8	9.9	22.5
Passenger automobiles and chassis	224.8	3,356.3	189.1	2,803.5	151.9	2,549.4	18.9	24.4
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	57.0	1,010.6	64.0	839.6	49.1	809.9	-10.9	30.3
Other motor vehicles	25.1	342.2	22.2	336.5	16.3	324.2	13.2	36.3
Motor vehicle engines	44.9	545.3	36.5	507.9	36.2	437.3	22.9	0.9
Motor vehicle engines parts	56.1	691.1	49.7	460.9	30.8	390.7	12.7	61.4
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	424.0	5,380.8	384.1	4,387.8	306.4	3,700.0	10.3	25.3
Aircraft, complete with engines	2.3	89.4	7.1	110.8	7.3	290.9	-67.0	-3.4
Other equipment and tools	360.3	4,656.9	343.6	4,193.9	302.4	3,529.9	4.8	13.6
Electronic computers	51.8	552.8	44.2	428.4	28.5	343.3	17.3	55.0
Special Transactions, Trade	65.3	421.1	33.2	504.9	29.1	324.7	96.4	14.2
Total	3,142.5	42,068.9	3,009.2	37,468.1	2,903.9	34,690.7	4.4	3.6

Table 4
Total Exports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs Basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	Total excluding cars and wheat	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other F.E.C.	Japan
1976								
Third Quarter	9,889.7	7,805.1	7,375.1	6,670.3	495.0	2,724.4	703.3	564.4
Fourth Quarter	9,537.8	7,543.3	7,241.9	6,465.1	455.2	2,617.5	719.8	614.7
1977								
First Quarter	10,914.0	8,350.5	7,848.4	7,351.5	480.8	3,081.7	726.5	664.6
Second Quarter	10,809.4	8,288.9	7,849.7	7,592.8	484.7	2,731.9	688.9	658.8
Third Quarter	11,194.4	8,794.2	8,308.2	7,781.5	496.6	2,916.3	674.3	645.5
Fourth Quarter	11,596.3	8,860.3	8,406.1	8,235.5	495.2	2,865.6	752.2	615.7
1977								
August	3,844.7	3,145.3	2,999.1	2,528.5	191.7	1,124.5	255.5	241.2
September	3,538.9	2,766.6	2,629.9	2,536.7	146.6	855.6	190.4	204.0
October	3,968.2	3,038.4	2,873.5	2,716.2	163.9	1,088.1	252.5	249.2
November	3,374.2	2,529.3	2,429.0	2,535.1	128.6	710.5	212.7	158.2
December	4,254.1	3,292.6	3,103.6	2,984.3	202.8	1,067.0	287.0	208.3
1978								
January	3,526.2	2,686.1	2,583.7	2,747.3	120.3	658.6	178.1	181.7
Percent changes								
January/December	-17.1	-18.4	-16.7	-7.9	-40.6	-38.2	-37.9	-12.7
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	-1.7	-4.9	-4.5	6.2	-10.0	-20.5	-2.9	-21.0
Jan. 78/Jan. 77	3.9	4.2	6.4	15.3	-28.0	-21.8	-19.6	-7.2

Table 5
Total Exports by Principal Trading Areas

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Jan. 1977	Dec. 1976	Nov. 1976	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.
	(\$ millions)								
United States	2,511.7	2,845.9	2,755.2	2,134.0	2,283.7	2,260.9	17.7	24.6	-21.8
United Kingdom	125.8	200.0	120.6	159.3	144.9	161.1	-20.9	38.0	-25.1
Other E.E.C.	184.8	280.7	205.8	235.5	215.6	299.1	-21.5	30.2	-31.2
Japan	210.6	179.0	156.7	195.1	195.9	191.3	7.9	-8.6	-18.0
Other O.E.C.D.	80.5	115.0	70.8	84.0	83.4	112.3	-4.1	37.7	-36.9
Other America	132.9	151.6	149.3	117.0	128.0	141.0	13.5	18.4	5.8
Other Countries	208.3	288.3	201.5	224.0	245.4	216.9	-7.0	17.4	-7.0
All Countries	3,454.6	4,060.5	3,659.9	3,148.9	3,296.9	3,382.6	9.7	23.1	8.1
	Year-to-Date						Jan.-Jan. Percent Changes		
	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Jan. 1977	Dec. 1976	Jan. 1976	Dec. 1975	78/77	77/76	
United States	2,511.7	30,892.6	2,134.0	25,795.9	1,820.7	21,697.1	17.7	17.2	
United Kingdom	125.8	1,945.3	159.3	1,867.7	123.4	1,800.4	-20.9	29.0	
Other E.E.C.	184.8	2,764.5	235.5	2,664.5	229.9	2,358.2	-21.5	2.4	
Japan	210.6	2,511.7	195.1	2,389.3	216.9	2,133.5	7.9	-10.0	
Other O.E.C.D.	80.5	1,219.3	84.0	1,063.8	64.0	917.5	-4.1	31.2	
Other America	132.9	1,900.1	117.0	1,765.9	137.4	1,597.3	13.5	-14.8	
Other Countries	208.3	2,965.3	224.0	2,599.3	268.9	2,741.4	-7.0	-16.6	
All Countries	3,454.6	44,198.8	3,148.9	38,146.4	2,861.2	33,245.4	9.7	10.0	

Table 6

Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Jan. 1977	Dec. 1976	Nov. 1976	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	9.5	17.8	17.9	9.2	13.4	13.7	3.5	32.6	30.5
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	282.1	456.2	328.3	295.4	351.1	332.7	-4.4	29.9	-1.3
Meat and fish	75.0	93.5	65.5	48.0	53.4	55.6	56.2	75.0	17.8
Cereals and preparations	140.5	268.7	177.5	181.5	212.5	189.8	-22.5	26.4	-6.4
Wheat	94.1	192.2	126.7	121.2	124.0	108.9	-22.3	55.0	16.4
Crude Materials, Inedible	729.1	810.9	698.9	709.2	692.1	727.5	2.8	17.1	-3.9
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	159.0	235.4	186.3	206.7	183.8	222.1	-23.0	28.0	-16.1
Crude petroleum	163.5	154.3	140.2	169.4	166.5	168.7	-3.4	-7.2	-16.9
Natural gas	212.9	205.8	200.8	154.4	147.0	153.5	37.8	40.0	30.8
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	1,267.6	1,352.2	1,183.7	1,070.9	995.9	1,090.1	18.3	35.7	8.5
Wood and paper	625.1	686.8	594.0	543.4	541.1	611.3	15.0	26.9	-2.8
Lumber, softwood	204.6	194.6	168.4	157.0	144.7	160.3	30.3	34.5	5.1
Wood pulp and similar pulp	145.0	169.7	150.2	160.2	171.9	186.0	-9.4	-1.3	-19.2
Newsprint paper	199.6	225.3	207.9	166.8	177.3	195.9	19.7	27.0	6.1
Textiles	8.2	9.7	8.1	7.1	8.5	10.3	15.1	14.2	-21.4
Chemicals	114.3	148.2	149.7	123.4	107.8	112.5	-7.4	37.4	33.0
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	41.6	44.5	49.8	50.7	39.7	39.7	-17.9	12.0	25.3
Petroleum and coal products	75.7	64.2	47.5	57.7	45.3	43.9	31.2	41.8	8.2
Iron and steel	86.7	97.5	89.8	83.7	58.6	67.3	3.6	66.2	33.4
Non-ferrous metals	240.0	228.0	196.9	192.2	169.8	179.8	24.9	34.3	9.4
Copper and alloys	40.1	42.7	33.5	44.7	39.3	41.3	-10.2	8.7	-19.0
Nickel and alloys	71.4	54.6	45.1	33.5	45.0	43.0	113.0	21.2	5.0
End Products, Inedible	1,101.4	1,342.9	1,369.8	1,010.3	1,159.3	1,134.6	9.0	15.8	20.7
Industrial machinery	93.5	110.5	76.0	72.6	91.0	78.3	28.7	21.5	-2.9
Agricultural machinery and tractors	25.2	40.2	34.5	35.0	49.6	36.9	-27.9	-18.9	-6.4
Transportation equipment	826.1	952.1	1,080.5	771.7	829.7	834.3	7.0	14.7	29.5
Passenger automobiles and chassis	318.6	357.7	413.8	323.1	336.1	325.0	-1.3	6.4	27.3
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	173.0	199.0	250.2	142.1	135.0	129.9	21.7	47.4	92.6
Other motor vehicles	16.0	25.0	23.6	7.7	11.8	20.0	108.2	111.8	17.8
Motor vehicle engines and parts	67.0	65.6	88.1	73.5	86.2	84.2	-8.8	-23.9	4.5
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	200.2	228.1	247.7	178.3	190.4	203.0	12.2	19.8	22.0
Other equipment and tools	68.7	99.1	78.1	59.2	85.3	82.2	16.0	16.2	-4.9
Special transactions, Trade	14.5	4.5	3.3	5.6	4.8	6.8	158.1	-5.2	-51.2
Total	3,404.4	3,984.5	3,601.9	3,100.5	3,216.5	3,305.6	9.8	23.8	8.9

Table 6 (Continued)

Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Year-to-Date		Year-to-Date		Year-to-Date		Jan.-Jan. Percent Changes	
	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Jan. 1977	Dec. 1976	Jan. 1976	Dec. 1975	78/77	77/76
	(\$ millions)							
Live Animals	9.5	151.2	9.2	134.0	10.0	83.3	3.5	-7.7
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	282.1	4,394.4	295.4	4,114.6	354.5	4,028.7	-4.4	-16.6
Meat and fish	75.0	909.0	48.0	718.6	45.6	578.7	56.2	5.2
Cereals and preparations	140.5	2,425.1	181.5	2,571.5	253.9	2,707.8	-22.5	-28.5
Wheat	94.1	1,826.8	121.2	1,707.8	158.0	2,001.2	-22.3	-23.2
Crude Materials, Inedible	729.1	8,843.9	709.2	8,262.3	741.5	7,956.5	2.8	-4.3
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	159.0	2,722.1	206.7	2,500.7	151.8	2,233.1	-23.0	36.1
Crude petroleum	163.5	1,750.6	169.4	2,286.7	291.3	3,051.5	-3.4	-41.8
Natural gas	212.9	2,028.9	154.4	1,616.5	136.7	1,092.2	37.8	12.9
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	1,267.6	14,925.8	1,070.9	12,148.9	851.8	9,861.7	18.3	25.7
Wood and paper	625.1	7,750.0	543.4	6,425.1	407.2	5,018.6	15.0	33.4
Lumber, softwood	204.6	2,338.6	157.0	1,610.0	99.6	948.7	30.3	57.5
Woodpulp and similar pulp	145.0	2,156.0	160.2	2,177.0	171.5	1,830.5	-9.4	-6.5
Newsprint paper	199.6	2,381.3	166.8	1,998.3	85.3	1,744.0	19.7	95.5
Textiles	8.2	111.0	7.1	99.9	9.9	100.0	15.1	-27.7
Chemicals	114.3	1,739.5	123.4	1,366.2	97.2	1,024.6	-7.4	27.0
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	41.6	660.0	50.7	547.2	42.2	456.4	-17.9	20.1
Petroleum and coal products	75.7	649.4	57.7	558.8	73.5	638.5	31.2	-21.4
Iron and steel	86.7	1,046.3	83.7	837.0	60.7	749.3	3.6	37.8
Non-ferrous metals	240.0	2,495.3	192.2	2,143.9	150.7	1,720.5	24.9	27.5
Copper and alloys	40.1	522.0	44.7	522.6	43.8	475.6	-10.2	1.9
Nickel and alloys	71.4	436.9	33.5	443.6	23.6	416.6	113.0	41.9
End Products, Inedible	1,101.4	14,945.8	1,010.3	12,539.2	844.4	10,457.2	9.0	19.6
Industrial machinery	93.5	1,164.3	72.6	883.1	67.7	927.5	28.7	7.2
Agricultural machinery and tractors	25.2	558.8	35.0	539.1	31.1	542.1	-27.9	12.3
Transportation equipment	826.1	11,053.3	771.7	9,096.6	618.5	7,256.9	7.0	24.7
Passenger automobiles and chassis	318.6	4,285.3	323.1	3,637.8	264.7	3,068.8	-1.3	22.0
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	173.0	2,080.6	142.1	1,403.6	105.7	1,080.3	21.7	34.3
Other motor vehicles	16.0	194.2	7.7	160.5	8.7	144.3	108.2	-11.6
Motor vehicle engines and parts	67.0	944.7	73.5	776.6	49.4	519.2	-8.8	48.8
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	200.2	2,663.2	178.3	2,189.2	140.1	1,618.4	12.2	27.2
Other equipment and tools	68.7	932.5	59.2	832.1	50.8	744.1	16.0	16.4
Special Transactions, Trade	14.5	68.2	5.6	129.6	6.0	78.7	158.1	-6.8
Total	3,404.4	43,329.3	3,100.5	37,328.5	2,808.1	32,466.1	9.8	10.4

Comparisons, Capital Expenditures

	1978 intentions with 1977 preliminary actual		1977 preliminary actual with 1976 actual	
	\$ millions	% change	\$ millions	% change
Agriculture and fishing	25.3	0.9	38.1	1.3
Forestry	10.0	4.6	30.8	16.5
Mining, quarrying and oil wells	-239.6	-6.0	559.0	16.2
Construction industry	39.4	4.8	61.6	8.1
Manufacturing	221.1	3.7	558.1	10.2
Utilities	1,291.5	13.7	1,163.3	14.1
Trade	1.3	0.1	-50.0	-4.4
Finance, insurance and real estate	25.3	1.2	53.2	2.7
Commercial services	165.9	8.3	-148.5	-6.9
Total Business	1,540.2	5.4	2,265.6	8.6
Institutions	55.8	3.7	24.3	1.6
Government departments	231.5	4.1	664.9	13.2
Social (excl. housing)	287.3	4.0	689.2	10.6
Housing (construction)	412.0	3.8	79.2	0.7
Total Capital	2,239.5	4.8	3,034.0	7.0
Other comparisons				
Total construction	1,456.8	4.8	2,275.6	8.1
Non-residential construction	1,044.8	5.4	2,196.4	12.7
Total machinery and equipment	782.7	4.8	758.4	4.9

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The total of capital expenditures during 1978 by all sectors of the Canadian economy is estimated at \$48,910 million, 4.8% above the \$46,670 million in 1977 which in turn was 7% higher than the \$43,636 million in 1976.

In the components of capital outlays, new construction is expected to reach a total of \$31,876 million for a 4.8% gain over the \$30,420 million in 1977. This increase is below the 8.1% advance in 1977 over the \$28,144 million in 1976. The non-residential portion of the construction program is expected to be \$20,533 million, 5.4% above the \$19,488 million last year, while residential construction is estimated at \$11,344 million for a level 3.8% over the \$10,932 million in 1977. These housing estimates for the current year are based on 230,000 starts projected for 1978 compared with 245,000 starts last year. The other component of total capital expenditures is the acquisition of machinery and equipment which is also expected to increase by 4.8% as in construction. Totals for machinery and equipment are \$17,033 million for 1978, \$16,250 million in 1977 and \$15,492 million in 1976.

Capital expenditures by the business group are shown at \$30,057 million or 5.4% higher than the \$28,517 million in 1977. Outlays for social capital by

institutions and governments are \$7,509 million, 4% above the \$7,221 million in 1977. Both categories thus register a smaller increase in the current year than in 1977 when increases of 8.6% and 10.5% were recorded over 1976 totals of \$26,252 million for business and \$6,532 million for social capital.

In the business sector, utilities are again largest in size and in rate of increase among the various industries. Capital expenditures of this group in 1978 are estimated at \$10,709 million, an increase of 13.7% over the \$9,418 million last year. Programmes for electric power, telephones and air transport dominate the increase. In manufacturing, the 1978 total at \$6,244 million is 3.7% above the \$6,023 million of last year. Most of the strength is shown in the chemical products industry (which also includes heavy water) and in the manufacture of transportation equipment. Some of the offsetting decreases occur in the construction for petroleum refining, for non-metallic mineral products and for paper and allied products.

In the rest of the business sector, the mining, quarrying, petroleum and gas group shows a decrease of 6% in 1978 at the new estimated total of \$3,760 million. This amount reflects decreases for iron mining, for the copper-gold-silver group and for other metal mines. In the petroleum and gas group, capital expenditures are estimated at \$2,718 million or 3.9% above the 1977 program. Small increases are recorded for agriculture, primary fishing, trade and finance. The commercial services group indicates more strength even though the amount exceeds only marginally the level of 1976 which included outlays on the installations for the Olympic Games.

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Capital outlays of the social capital group of institutions and governments, amounting to \$7,509 million, are expected to increase by 4% over the \$7,221 million in 1977. Last year the increase was 10.5% over 1976. The program for municipal governments is the largest part of all three levels of government, the total of which is expected to be higher by \$232 million or 4.1% in 1978. In the institutions group, expenditures on hospitals show the largest increase of \$49 million or 11% in 1978.

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Summary by Sectors, Canada, 1976 to 1978¹

(Millions of dollars)

		Capital expenditures		
		Con- struc- tion	Machinery and equipment	Sub- total
Agriculture and fishing	1976	527.0	2,348.4	2,875.4
	1977	609.5	2,304.0	2,913.5
	1978	662.2	2,276.6	2,938.8
Forestry	1976	89.0	97.8	186.8
	1977	108.6	109.0	217.6
	1978	114.9	112.7	227.6
Mining, quarrying and oil wells	1976	2,356.9	1,084.0	3,440.9
	1977	2,828.7	1,171.2	3,999.9
	1978	2,924.9	835.4	3,760.3
Construction industry	1976	121.3	637.6	758.9
	1977	131.2	689.3	820.5
	1978	137.5	722.4	859.9
Manufacturing	1976	1,439.7	4,025.6	5,465.3
	1977	1,682.5	4,340.9	6,023.4
	1978	1,627.6	4,616.9	6,244.5
Utilities	1976	4,425.8	3,828.4	8,254.2
	1977	5,387.7	4,029.8	9,417.5
	1978	6,073.7	4,635.3	10,709.0
Trade, wholesale and retail	1976	385.9	742.5	1,128.4
	1977	376.1	702.3	1,078.4
	1978	358.8	720.9	1,079.7
Finance, insurance and real estate	1976	1,734.3	261.3	1,995.6
	1977	1,799.3	249.5	2,048.8
	1978	1,820.2	253.9	2,074.1
Commercial services	1976	604.1	1,541.9	2,146.0
	1977	319.4	1,678.1	1,997.5
	1978	288.0	1,875.4	2,163.4
Institutions	1976	1,167.8	317.3	1,485.1
	1977	1,190.4	319.0	1,509.4
	1978	1,261.1	304.1	1,565.2
Government departments	1976	4,439.7	607.4	5,047.1
	1977	5,054.5	657.5	5,712.0
	1978	5,263.8	679.7	5,943.5
Housing	1976	10,852.6	—	10,852.6
	1977	10,931.8	—	10,931.8
	1978	11,343.8	—	11,343.8
Total (items 1 to 12)	1976	28,144.1	15,492.2	43,636.3
	1977	30,419.7	16,250.6	46,670.3
	1978	31,876.5	17,033.3	48,909.8

Mining, Canada, 1976 to 1978¹

(Millions of dollars)

		Capital expenditures		
		Con- struc- tion	Machinery and equipment	Sub total
Mines:				
Metal mines				
Gold	1976	17.3	4.5	21.8
	1977	19.4	4.0	23.4
	1978	20.6	3.5	24.1
Iron	1976	277.3	149.1	426.4
	1977	167.2	235.6	402.8
	1978	69.4	85.1	154.5
Copper-gold-silver	1976	128.4	69.5	197.9
	1977	111.9	74.7	186.6
	1978	73.5	53.9	127.4
Silver-lead-zinc	1976	55.1	22.7	77.8
	1977	49.9	28.0	77.9
	1978	39.2	32.4	71.6
Other metal mines	1976	119.5	59.5	179.0
	1977	161.7	76.3	238.0
	1978	133.0	49.7	182.7
Sub-total (items 1 to 5)	1976	597.6	305.3	902.9
	1977	510.1	418.6	928.7
	1978	335.7	224.6	560.3
Non-metal mines				
Asbestos	1976	65.9	29.0	94.9
	1977	49.5	38.9	88.4
	1978	51.4	63.5	114.9
Other non-metal mines	1976	95.4	185.6	281.0
	1977	165.5	202.3	367.8
	1978	164.3	203.2	367.5
Sub-total (items 7 and 8)	1976	161.3	214.6	375.9
	1977	215.0	241.2	456.2
	1978	215.7	266.7	482.4
Total mines (items 6 and 9)	1976	758.9	519.9	1,278.8
	1977	725.1	659.8	1,384.9
	1978	551.4	491.3	1,042.7
Petroleum and gas	1976	1,598.0	564.1	2,162.1
	1977	2,103.6	511.4	2,615.0
	1978	2,373.5	344.1	2,717.6
Total (items 10 and 11)	1976	2,356.9	1,084.0	3,440.9
	1977	2,828.7	1,171.2	3,999.9
	1978	2,924.9	835.4	3,760.3

Manufacturing, Canada, 1976 to 1978¹

(Millions of dollars)

Food and beverages	1976	110.4	298.2	408.6
	1977	153.0	332.1	485.1
	1978	148.9	373.1	522.0
Tobacco products	1976	1.1	11.4	12.5
	1977	1.6	18.5	20.1
	1978	3.2	18.5	21.7
Rubber	1976	16.9	73.6	90.5
	1977	13.8	90.8	104.6
	1978	10.6	89.5	100.1
Leather	1976	3.4	8.1	11.5
	1977	3.6	10.5	14.1
	1978	2.9	8.1	11.0

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		Capital expenditures		
		Con- struc- tion	Machinery and equipment	Sub- total
Textiles	1976	19.1	91.0	110.1
	1977	14.8	56.2	71.0
	1978	17.8	69.8	87.6
Knitting mills	1976	1.5	7.7	9.2
	1977	0.9	8.8	9.7
	1978	0.9	8.6	9.5
Clothing	1976	3.7	18.1	21.8
	1977	12.1	16.6	28.7
	1978	13.9	18.0	31.9
Wood	1976	61.2	189.2	250.4
	1977	75.6	185.4	261.0
	1978	65.7	204.5	270.2
Furniture and fixtures	1976	8.0	13.2	21.2
	1977	6.0	12.2	18.2
	1978	6.2	11.3	17.5
Paper and allied industries	1976	128.6	560.1	688.7
	1977	172.7	608.3	781.0
	1978	142.5	620.2	762.7
Printing, publish- ing and allied industries	1976	15.0	86.0	101.0
	1977	15.0	87.8	102.8
	1978	16.9	96.9	113.8
Primary metals	1976	144.8	496.1	640.9
	1977	194.3	533.6	727.9
	1978	198.4	572.3	770.7
Metal fabricating	1976	43.1	151.4	194.5
	1977	46.3	138.6	184.9
	1978	49.2	159.4	208.6
Machinery	1976	36.9	96.4	133.3
	1977	37.1	101.2	138.3
	1978	30.6	111.5	142.1
Transportation equipment	1976	63.7	142.2	205.9
	1977	86.4	270.3	356.7
	1978	75.9	325.8	401.7
Electrical products	1976	35.6	111.5	147.1
	1977	24.1	114.7	138.8
	1978	16.2	119.5	135.7
Non-metallic mineral products	1976	46.6	195.4	242.0
	1977	65.8	207.0	272.8
	1978	55.6	190.8	246.4
Petroleum and coal products	1976	255.9	88.3	344.2
	1977	278.2	100.9	379.1
	1978	209.5	84.7	294.2
Chemical and chemical products	1976	430.7	761.2	1,191.9
	1977	473.8	798.8	1,272.6
	1978	551.2	833.1	1,384.3
Miscellaneous	1976	13.5	37.6	51.1
	1977	7.4	31.5	38.9
	1978	11.5	39.0	50.5
Capital items charg- ed to operating expenses	1976	—	588.9	588.9
	1977	—	617.1	617.1
	1978	—	662.3	662.3
Total (items 1 to 21)	1976	1,439.7	4,025.6	5,465.3
	1977	1,682.5	4,340.9	6,023.4
	1978	1,627.6	4,616.9	6,244.5

Utilities, Canada, 1976 to 1978

(Millions of dollars)

		Capital expenditures		
		Con- struc- tion	Machinery and equipment	Sub- total
Transportation:				
Air transport	1976	26.1	69.0	95.1
	1977	29.1	82.3	111.4
	1978	22.0	337.4	359.4
Railway transport	1976	370.2	237.7	607.9
	1977	387.2	183.7	570.9
	1978	412.4	203.1	615.5
Water transport and services	1976	25.9	92.6	118.5
	1977	60.6	98.8	159.4
	1978	60.1	76.4	136.5
Motor transport	1976	31.2	159.5	190.7
	1977	27.7	180.0	207.7
	1978	37.5	175.5	213.0
Urban transit systems	1976	177.3	125.1	302.4
	1977	164.6	161.2	325.8
	1978	177.2	156.1	333.3
Pipelines	1976	289.6	47.7	337.3
	1977	329.0	50.3	379.3
	1978	321.4	50.6	372.0
Capital items charg- ed to operating expenses	1976	—	22.9	22.9
	1977	—	22.9	22.9
	1978	—	27.0	27.0
Sub-total (items 1 to 7)	1976	920.3	754.5	1,674.8
	1977	998.2	779.2	1,777.4
	1978	1,030.6	1,026.1	2,056.7
Communication Broadcasting	1976	62.4	83.1	145.5
	1977	60.6	86.5	147.1
	1978	64.7	83.9	148.6
Telephone and telegraph	1976	598.3	1,284.3	1,882.6
	1977	640.0	1,263.1	1,903.1
	1978	698.2	1,387.8	2,086.0
Capital items charg- ed to operating ex- penses	1976	—	24.4	24.4
	1977	—	24.4	24.4
	1978	—	26.5	26.5
Sub-total (items 9 to 11)	1976	660.7	1,391.8	2,052.5
	1977	700.6	1,374.0	2,074.6
	1978	762.9	1,498.2	2,261.1
Miscellaneous utilities				
Grain elevators	1976	20.2	33.5	53.7
	1977	32.8	30.2	63.0
	1978	38.0	36.2	74.2
Electric power	1976	2,654.2	1,574.4	4,228.6
	1977	3,461.4	1,762.0	5,223.4
	1978	4,037.3	1,984.0	6,021.3
Gas distribution	1976	141.1	41.2	182.3
	1977	167.9	48.2	216.1
	1978	171.7	48.9	220.6
Other utilities	1976	29.3	8.2	37.5
	1977	26.8	8.9	35.7
	1978	33.2	11.3	44.5
Capital items charg- ed to operating expenses	1976	—	24.8	24.8
	1977	—	27.3	27.3
	1978	—	30.6	30.6
Sub-total (items 13 to 17)	1976	2,844.8	1,682.1	4,526.9
	1977	3,688.9	1,876.6	5,565.5
	1978	4,280.2	2,111.0	6,391.2
Total (items 8, 12 and 18)	1976	4,425.8	3,828.4	8,254.2
	1977	5,387.7	4,029.8	9,417.5
	1978	6,073.7	4,635.3	10,709.0

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Trade, Finance and Commercial, Canada, 1976 to 1978¹

(Millions of dollars)

		Capital expenditures		
		Con- struc- tion	Machinery and equipment	Sub- total
Trade:				
Wholesale	1976	109.0	215.9	324.9
	1977	119.9	208.6	328.5
	1978	114.2	168.9	283.1
Department stores	1976	77.0	90.4	167.4
	1977	63.0	66.0	129.0
	1978	43.7	94.6	138.3
Automotive trade	1976	93.5	175.3	268.8
	1977	86.7	155.3	242.0
	1978	91.3	164.9	256.2
Combination food stores	1976	27.1	88.0	115.1
	1977	28.7	94.9	123.6
	1978	30.2	111.4	141.6
Other chainstores	1976	43.3	53.2	96.5
	1977	43.1	58.6	101.7
	1978	45.2	62.1	107.3
Other independent stores	1976	36.0	52.8	88.8
	1977	34.7	55.9	90.6
	1978	34.2	53.4	87.6
Capital items charged to operating expenses	1976	—	66.9	66.9
	1977	—	63.0	63.0
	1978	—	65.6	65.6
Sub-total (items 1 to 7)	1976	385.9	742.5	1,128.4
	1977	376.1	702.3	1,078.4
	1978	358.8	720.9	1,079.7
Finance:				
Banks	1976	127.2	84.1	211.3
	1977	131.1	75.4	206.5
	1978	173.6	90.3	263.9
Insurance, trust and loan companies	1976	60.0	64.2	124.2
	1977	71.5	49.3	120.8
	1978	83.5	44.2	127.7
Other finance	1976	1,547.1	113.0	1,660.1
	1977	1,596.7	124.8	1,721.5
	1978	1,563.1	119.4	1,682.5
Sub-total (items 9 to 11)	1976	1,734.3	261.3	1,995.6
	1977	1,799.3	249.5	2,048.8
	1978	1,820.2	253.9	2,074.1
Commercial services:				
Laundries and dry cleaners	1976	2.4	8.1	10.5
	1977	3.2	7.6	10.8
	1978	2.4	7.7	10.1
Motion picture theatres	1976	15.1	6.3	21.4
	1977	8.8	8.5	17.3
	1978	3.6	5.6	9.2
Hotels	1976	129.1	38.5	167.6
	1977	118.6	35.9	154.5
	1978	99.6	40.7	140.3
Other commercial services	1976	457.5	1,489.0	1,946.5
	1977	188.8	1,626.1	1,814.9
	1978	182.4	1,821.4	2,003.8
Sub-total (items 13 to 16)	1976	604.1	1,541.9	2,146.0
	1977	319.4	1,678.1	1,997.5
	1978	288.0	1,875.4	2,163.4
Total (items 8, 12 and 17)	1976	2,724.3	2,545.7	5,270.0
	1977	2,494.8	2,629.9	5,124.7
	1978	2,467.0	2,850.2	5,317.2

Institutions and Government Departments, Canada 1976 to 1978¹

(Millions of dollars)

		Capital expenditures		
		Con- struc- tion	Machinery and equipment	Sub- total
Institutions:				
Churches	1976	44.6	3.3	47.9
	1977	28.4	3.0	31.4
	1978	27.8	2.6	30.4
Universities	1976	131.0	74.2	205.2
	1977	141.2	65.4	206.6
	1978	154.0	70.2	224.2
Schools	1976	585.4	122.4	707.8
	1977	626.0	113.8	739.8
	1978	653.0	102.8	755.8
Hospitals	1976	328.3	106.2	434.5
	1977	322.4	124.3	446.7
	1978	376.6	119.0	495.6
Other institutions	1976	78.5	11.2	89.7
	1977	72.4	12.5	84.9
	1978	49.7	9.5	59.2
Sub-total (items 1 to 5)	1976	1,167.8	317.3	1,485.1
	1977	1,190.4	319.0	1,509.4
	1978	1,261.1	304.1	1,565.2
Government departments:				
Federal	1976	655.4	332.9	988.3
	1977	705.4	356.8	1,062.2
	1978	726.0	377.8	1,103.8
Provincial	1976	1,826.2	118.1	1,944.3
	1977	2,171.6	117.1	2,288.7
	1978	2,234.8	121.5	2,356.3
Municipal	1976	1,958.1	156.4	2,114.5
	1977	2,177.5	183.6	2,361.1
	1978	2,303.0	180.4	2,483.4
Sub-total (items 7 to 9)	1976	4,439.7	607.4	5,047.1
	1977	5,054.5	657.5	5,712.0
	1978	5,263.8	679.7	5,943.5
Total (items 6 and 10)	1976	5,607.5	924.7	6,532.2
	1977	6,244.9	976.5	7,221.4
	1978	6,524.9	983.8	7,508.7

1 Actual expenditures 1976, preliminary actual 1977, intentions 1978.

Manufacturers of Small Electrical Appliances, 1976 — Advance Information

Manufacturers of small electrical appliances shipped \$252.8 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 2.0% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 3.7% to \$158.3 million, the number of employees decreased 11.6% to 6,307 and total salaries and wages decreased 2.4% to \$65.2 million.

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Small Electrical Appliances, 1976* (43-203, 70¢).

Key Economic Series, March 1978

During the coming month, the release of Key Economic Series data is expected to be in accordance with the schedule outlined below. Where a range of dates is given for a series, this represents the period within which publication of the data can be reasonably expected, the variability taking account of circumstances peculiar to each series. Any range may be exceeded on rare occasions, for reasons unpredictable at this time.

February 27 to March 3: Gross National Product, months of October-December 1977;

February 27 to March 6: Building Permits, month of December;

March 3 to March 7: Labour Income, month of December;

March 3 to March 8: Unemployment Insurance Statistics, month of January;

March 7 to March 10: Retail Trade, month of January;

March 8 to March 17: Industry Selling Price Index, month of January;

March 10 to March 21: General Wholesale Price Index, month of January;

March 14: Labour Force Survey, month of February;

March 14: Canadian Balance of International Payments, months of October-December 1977;

March 14 to March 17: Index of Industrial Production, month of January;

March 15: Private and Public Investment in Canada — Outlook by Provinces, 1978 (Final Figures);

March 15: Consumer Price Index (National), month of February;

March 15 to March 17: Consumer Credit, month of January;

March 16 to March 17: Wholesale Trade, month of January;

March 17 to March 28: Industrial Corporations, Financial Statistics (Final Data), months of October-December 1977;

March 20 to March 23: Real Domestic Product, month of January;

March 20 to March 28: Employment, Earnings and Hours, month of January;

March 21 to March 23: Inventories, Shipments and Orders, month of January;

March 23: Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, month of February;

March 23 to March 29: Labour Income, month of January;

March 31: Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, month of February.

Notice of the availability of fourth quarter 1977 advance information I on Financial Flows will appear in the period March 28 to March 31.

It should be noted that the April schedule of Key Economic Series will appear in the Daily Bulletin on March 29, 1978.

For any enquiry concerning the release of these series, please contact Mr. Jack Kerr (613-992-1548), Production Planning and Scheduling Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Employment, Earnings and Hours (Seasonally Adjusted), December 1977 — Advance Information

The first estimates of the Canadian industrial composite* index of employment (1961=100) for December 1977 remained unchanged from November. Mining (including milling), manufacturing and trade posted gains while the remaining industry divisions registered losses. All regions advanced with the exception of Ontario and the Prairie region which declined.

Average weekly earnings increased by 1.2% at the national industrial composite level in December. All industry divisions, except finance, insurance and real estate, and all regions contributed to the over-all increase.

Average weekly hours of hourly-rate wage-earners advanced in manufacturing and in construction but showed no change in mining (including milling). Average hourly earnings increased in all three industry divisions.

* *Industrial composite is the sum of all industries with the exception of agriculture, fishing and trapping, education and related services, health and welfare services, religious organizations, private households and public administration and defence. All statistics are based on returns received from employers having 20 or more employees in any month of the year. Notes on concepts and methods can be found in any issue of Employment, Earnings and Hours.*

Detailed information for October and November will be published in the December issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002, 70¢/\$7), and is also available from Mr. R. Ouellette (613-992-5613), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

(see tables on pages 15-17)

Railway Carloadings, January 1978 — Advance Information

Railways in Canada loaded 18.3 million short tons (16.6 million t) of revenue freight in January, a gain of 8.0% over the corresponding 1977 month. Traffic received from the United States totalled 1.4 million short tons (1.3 million t), a decline of 19.8%.

Commodity loadings recording significant percentage increases in volume over the preceding January included: coke (up 96.9%); grains, other than wheat (up 66.6%); fuel oil (up 21.3%); potash (up 18.0%); and iron ore (up 14.9%). Loadings of alumina again showed a sharp advance over the previous year, reflecting the lingering effects of the 1976-1977 strike in that industry. Decreases in the latest month were registered for potatoes (down 56.7%); other vegetables (down 46.7%); and livestock (down 26.9%).

For further information, order the January issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-001, 30¢/\$3) or, for seasonally-adjusted revenue freight loadings, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Employment, Earnings and Hours, Advance Data

December 1977

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Employment Index Number									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted				
	Dec. 1977f	Nov. 1977p	Oct. 1977p	Sept. 1977r	Dec. 1976	Nov. 1976	Dec. 1977f	Nov. 1977p	Oct. 1977p	Sept. 1977r
	1961=100									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	79.0	83.5	89.1	93.3	72.0	80.6	85.6	80.2	79.7	80.5
Mining, including milling	119.6	121.5	122.1	121.0	119.3	120.2	120.2	121.2	123.0	121.6
Manufacturing	122.6	126.0	127.3	128.1	124.6	127.5	125.1	125.8	125.8	126.5
Durable Goods	135.4	138.5	139.4	139.1	137.7	140.4	136.9	137.1	137.3	138.3
Non-durable Goods	112.2	115.9	117.6	119.2	114.1	117.2	115.8	116.6	116.6	116.7
Construction	99.8	113.1	120.5	122.0	103.7	117.4	110.4	108.2	108.4	108.4
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	129.5	130.5	132.0	133.8	127.7	129.8	132.2	131.0	131.5	131.9
Trade	174.3	174.5	171.7	168.8	178.3	178.5	167.7	167.8	168.3	169.1
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	196.8	197.2	196.8	195.6	188.6	188.3	197.5	197.3	196.9	195.7
Service	248.7	254.2	254.7	257.0	238.6	243.5	257.4	256.6	253.3	253.0
Industrial Composite	142.7	145.8	146.7	147.1	142.8	145.8	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.8
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	126.2	132.3	133.6	135.6	127.4	133.0	131.0	130.6	129.5	128.9
Newfoundland	124.2	132.1	135.3	137.5	129.4	136.4	129.1	129.0	129.0	127.0
Prince Edward Island	137.4	151.2	155.3	165.3	137.9	146.2	147.0	151.7	147.8	151.3
Nova Scotia	126.2	130.6	130.2	129.9	124.9	129.6	128.6	129.3	127.7	126.9
New Brunswick	126.5	132.7	134.6	138.5	128.2	133.9	132.0	131.5	131.5	131.2
Quebec	124.4	127.0	128.9	130.0	127.2	130.0	126.3	125.3	126.6	127.3
Ontario	147.3	150.2	150.6	150.1	146.5	149.3	148.5	148.8	148.5	148.3
Prairie Region	157.7	161.2	161.9	162.2	156.1	158.9	159.9	160.4	159.9	158.8
Manitoba	123.2	125.7	127.2	127.8	124.9	128.2	124.8	124.7	125.8	125.0
Saskatchewan	140.9	143.9	144.8	145.6	142.3	145.4	143.3	142.8	142.4	142.6
Alberta	193.5	198.1	197.9	197.8	188.0	190.2	195.8	197.6	195.7	193.8
British Columbia	170.1	172.7	173.3	174.6	167.9	170.9	172.7	172.6	171.7	173.2
Yukon	191.5	193.3	202.0	209.1	173.9	178.4	199.2	197.6	202.6	202.2
Northwest Territories	138.1	142.4	146.8	154.2	145.2	149.6	153.7	151.7	151.4	144.4
Canada	142.7	145.8	146.7	147.1	142.8	145.8	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.8

.. figures not available. f-first estimate based on limited number of returns. p-preliminary figures. r-revised figures.

Summary of Net Shipments* of Rolled Steel Products

December 1977 — Advance Information.

	Domestic		Export		Total	
	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes
Ingot and semi-finished shapes	35,394	32 110	4,486	4 070	39,880	36 180
Rails	20,047	18 187	9,425	8 550	29,472	26 737
Wire rods	56,925	51 642	14,866	13 486	71,791	65 128
Structural shapes:						
Heavy	44,349	40 232	14,402	13 065	58,751	53 297
Bar-sized shapes	8,937	8 107	2,268	2 057	11,205	10 164
Concrete reinforcing bars	33,875	30 732	1	1	33,876	30 733
Other hot rolled bars	69,568	63 110	9,515	8 632	79,083	71 742
Tie plates and track material	5,551	5 035	807	732	6,358	5 767
Plates (including plates for pipes and tubes)	82,611	74 947	21,271	19 296	103,882	94 243
Hot rolled sheets and strip	179,764	163 079	19,724	17 894	199,488	180 973
Cold finished bars	4,268	3 873	403	366	4,671	4 239
Cold reduced sheets and strip, cold rolled other, coated	111,800	101 422	14,749	13 381	126,549	114 803
Galvanized sheets	54,352	49 308	12,602	11 432	66,954	60 740
Total	707,441	641 784	124,519	112 962	831,960	754 746

*Producers' shipments excluding producers' interchange.

For further information, order the December issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Earnings						Seasonally adjusted			
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations									
	Dec. 1977f	Nov. 1977p	Oct. 1977p	Sept. 1977r	Dec. 1976	Nov. 1976	Dec. 1977f	Nov. 1977p	Oct. 1977p	Sept. 1977r
	dollars									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	252.01	331.89	333.52	324.23	240.51	313.40	238.89	325.70	326.95	329.20
Mining, including milling	359.73	362.10	358.13	353.52	334.14	334.16	359.87	357.28	355.43	354.83
Manufacturing	274.04	275.73	274.57	272.36	250.36	252.00	279.15	274.11	271.48	271.87
Durable Goods	293.46	297.14	296.11	294.02	266.30	269.86	301.45	294.34	290.42	291.17
Non-durable Goods	255.21	255.14	254.04	252.02	234.86	234.73	258.07	255.19	254.17	253.77
Construction	355.65	381.37	396.58	388.19	310.11	350.86	398.76	374.22	380.52	376.01
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	297.69	297.25	297.16	294.10	274.23	273.31	299.82	298.50	297.43	294.87
Trade	197.60	192.89	194.01	192.97	184.29	179.81	199.07	196.35	195.22	193.92
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	236.20	234.56	233.04	233.31	218.93	215.89	237.77	238.01	235.61	236.55
Service	175.38	172.98	173.97	172.14	165.61	163.52	176.60	173.87	174.23	173.65
Industrial Composite	254.06	256.22	257.52	255.48	233.99	236.59	260.23	256.04	255.45	254.89
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	224.58	224.85	225.64	224.19	208.96	210.02	229.91	226.00	225.30	225.05
Newfoundland	242.65	246.75	246.64	243.86	227.20	229.38	251.11	248.34	245.05	244.06
Prince Edward Island	196.10	191.99	192.82	189.98	175.96	183.51				
Nova Scotia	214.88	215.22	216.06	215.86	199.42	200.15	220.48	217.17	217.23	215.04
New Brunswick	227.56	225.59	226.61	224.71	211.47	211.38	230.53	226.04	226.56	228.50
Quebec	249.87	252.46	253.44	250.86	230.07	232.03	255.20	251.81	251.30	250.58
Ontario	254.41	256.03	257.12	255.68	233.74	236.14	260.37	255.80	254.63	254.59
Prairie Region	249.95	251.00	253.66	251.16	231.46	233.52	255.26	251.55	252.67	250.61
Manitoba	229.77	228.12	231.54	230.42	215.66	215.25	233.46	229.82	231.03	229.46
Saskatchewan	241.84	240.68	242.62	240.73	224.69	222.76	243.89	240.70	241.10	241.79
Alberta	263.13	266.24	268.88	265.53	242.37	247.22	270.90	266.08	267.94	264.74
British Columbia	284.67	291.37	292.48	289.58	262.23	269.26	293.08	288.91	289.35	286.20
Yukon	339.04	341.36	362.79	360.29	321.31	321.28				
Northwest Territories	295.00	304.03	327.47	332.97	285.31	300.75				
Canada	254.06	256.22	257.52	255.48	233.99	236.59	260.23	256.04	255.45	254.59

.. figures not available. f-first estimate based on limited number of returns. p-preliminary figures. r-revised figures.

Airport Activity, September 1977 — Advance Information

Airport activity statistics for the top 50 airports in Canada are now available for the month of September 1977.

Total scheduled enplaned plus deplaned passenger statistics for airports Toronto International, Montreal (Dorval) International and Mirabel International are shown in the accompanying table.

The airport tables and further information may be obtained by contacting Mr. W.J. Benoit (613-995-9897), Airport Activity Survey, Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

Airport Activity, September 1977

	Toronto International	Montreal International	Mirabel International
September 1976	920,237	465,001	123,566
September 1977	936,481	466,672	114,951
% change	1.8	0.3	-7.0

Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Hours and Average Hourly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations						Seasonally adjusted			
	Dec. 1977f	Nov. 1977p	Oct. 1977p	Sept. 1977r	Dec. 1976	Nov. 1976	Dec. 1977f	Nov. 1977p	Oct. 1977p	Sept. 1977r
						number				
Average Weekly Hours:										
Canada:										
Mining, including milling	40.0	40.9	40.9	40.8	40.5	41.2	40.2	40.2	40.5	41.0
Manufacturing	38.1	39.0	39.1	39.0	38.2	39.1	39.4	38.6	38.7	38.6
Durable Goods	39.1	40.1	40.1	40.1	39.0	40.1	40.6	39.6	39.4	39.6
Non-durable Goods	37.0	37.9	38.0	37.9	37.3	38.2	38.1	37.6	37.7	37.6
Construction	35.5	38.9	40.6	39.9	34.1	39.3	40.2	38.8	39.1	38.2
Building	36.0	37.2	38.4	37.7	33.9	37.7	39.7	36.8	37.3	36.6
Engineering	34.7	42.0	44.2	43.4	34.5	42.3	41.1	42.0	42.1	41.0
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	36.4	37.3	37.4	37.9	37.3	37.5	38.0	37.5	37.7	37.9
Quebec	38.1	39.4	39.5	39.3	38.3	39.6	39.7	38.9	38.8	38.8
Ontario	38.8	39.7	39.8	39.8	38.7	39.6	40.1	39.3	39.2	39.3
Prairie Region	36.9	37.0	37.6	37.4	37.0	37.5	37.5	36.7	37.2	37.2
British Columbia	35.8	36.5	36.2	35.6	36.2	37.0	36.5	36.2	36.2	35.8
						dollars				
Average Hourly Earnings:										
Canada:										
Mining, including milling	8.51	8.43	8.35	8.20	7.85	7.72	8.45	8.40	8.32	8.20
Manufacturing	6.62	6.58	6.55	6.52	6.02	5.98	6.64	6.59	6.52	6.55
Durable Goods	7.04	7.04	7.02	6.98	6.37	6.37	7.10	7.04	6.97	6.95
Non-durable Goods	6.17	6.08	6.05	6.03	5.63	5.56	6.16	6.11	6.08	6.11
Construction	10.09	10.05	10.05	10.00	8.96	9.17	10.25	9.88	9.96	9.97
Building	10.09	10.04	10.05	9.99	8.97	9.19	10.27	9.89	9.95	9.92
Engineering	10.08	10.06	10.06	10.00	8.93	9.15	10.33	9.88	10.01	9.97
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	6.19	5.97	5.93	5.83	5.58	5.45	6.02	5.99	5.91	5.95
Quebec	5.98	5.96	5.92	5.90	5.40	5.40	6.02	5.96	5.94	5.91
Ontario	6.68	6.65	6.65	6.62	6.10	6.07	6.71	6.65	6.63	6.61
Prairie Region	6.68	6.67	6.67	6.61	6.12	6.04	6.70	6.64	6.62	6.57
British Columbia	8.66	8.63	8.55	8.38	7.95	7.86	8.59	8.62	8.53	8.38

.. not available. f-first estimate based on limited number of returns. p-preliminary figures. r-revised figures.

Railroad Rolling Stock Industry, 1976 — Advance Information

The railroad rolling stock industry produced \$497.0 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, down 15.4% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 1.8% to \$271.9 million, the number of employees decreased 0.4% to 8,626 and total salaries and wages increased 10.5% to \$122.7 million.

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Railroad Rolling Stock Industry, 1976* (42-211, 70¢).

Flour and Breakfast Cereal Products Industry, 1976 — Advance Information

The flour and breakfast cereal products industry shipped \$602.1 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 7.2% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 11.5% to \$180.0 million, the number of employees increased 1.2% to 5,041 and total salaries and wages increased 18.1% to \$68.6 million.

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Flour and Breakfast Cereal Products Industry, 1976* (32-228, 70¢).

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending February 14

	Eastern* Division	Western* Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	2,341,857	2,031,948	4,373,805
Short tons, 1977	2,066,459	2,201,340	4,267,799
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 124 497	1 843 352	3 967 849
Metric tonnes, 1977	1 874 660	1 997 022	3 871 682
% change	13.3	-7.7	2.5
Cars, 1978	38,367	30,420	68,787
Cars, 1977	35,674	33,615	69,289
% change	7.5	-9.5	-0.7
Piggyback traffic**:			
Short tons, 1978	171,069	60,225	231,294
Short tons, 1977	154,947	53,772	208,719
Metric tonnes, 1978	155 191	54 635	209 826
Metric tonnes, 1977	140 566	48 781	189 347
% change	10.4	12.0	10.8
Cars, 1978	5,006	2,360	7,366
Cars, 1977	4,756	2,391	7,147
% change	5.3	-1.3	3.1
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	14,621,688	12,257,926	26,879,614
Short tons, 1977	13,098,197	12,324,670	25,422,867
Metric tonnes, 1978	13 264 572	11 120 203	24 384 775
Metric tonnes, 1977	11 882 484	11 180 753	23 063 237
% change	11.6	-0.5	5.7
Cars, 1978	232,251	186,446	418,697
Cars, 1977	217,035	188,874	405,909
% change	7.0	-1.3	3.2
Piggyback traffic**:			
Short tons, 1978	987,758	355,881	1,343,639
Short tons, 1977	930,038	335,211	1,265,249
Metric tonnes, 1978	896 079	322 850	1 218 929
Metric tonnes, 1977	843 716	304 098	1 147 814
% change	6.2	6.2	6.2
Cars, 1978	29,147	14,341	43,488
Cars, 1977	27,777	14,417	42,194
% change	4.9	-0.5	3.1

* The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

**Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

***All 1977 figures have been revised — 1978 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended February 14, 1978 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily

Canadian railway freight loadings totalled 4.0 million t (4.4 million short tons) in the above seven days, an increase of 2.5% over the year-earlier week. Traffic originating in the East rose by 13.3% in the latest period, while tonnage west of the Lakehead declined by 7.7%. The number of railway cars loaded at 68,787 was down 502 units (0.7%).

Trailer-container (piggyback) movements were up 10.8%, with both regions of the country sharing in the increase.

In the January 1 to February 14, 1978 period, railways loaded 24.4 million t (26.9 million short tons), an improvement of 5.7% over 1977. The carload count was up 3.2%. Cumulative container-trailer (piggyback) traffic registered a 6.2% gain.

For further information, contact Mr. J.R. Slaterry (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Measures of Labour Force Activity and Unemployment Experience During 1975, by Sex and Age, Sex and Region

Characteristics	Stretches of Unemployment						
	Annual Labour Force	Average Weeks Labour Force	Annual Unemployed	One	Two	Three or More	Average Weeks Unemployed
	(1) (000)	(2) (wks)	(3) (000)	(4) (000)	(5) (000)	(6) (000)	(7) (wks)
Men							
15-19	795	31.8	267	186	61	20q	13.9
20-24	994	43.6	313	211	74	28	15.2
25-44	2,972	49.4	463	324	101	36	15.4
45 and over	2,066	48.1	194	126	55	*	18.4
All ages	6,827	46.1	1,236	847	291	96	15.5
Women							
15-19	698	31.4	214	178	30	*	14.2
20-24	846	41.2	225	187	28	*	13.8
25-44	1,826	42.5	318	271	40	*	15.8
45 and over	1,125	42.9	141	115	22q	*	19.2
All ages	4,495	40.6	898	751	119	27q	15.4
Both Sexes							
15-19	1,493	31.6	482	364	91	26q	14.0
20-24	1,839	42.5	537	398	102	37	14.6
25-44	4,798	46.8	781	595	141	44	15.6
45 and over	3,191	46.3	335	242	77	16q	18.7
All ages	11,322	43.9	2,135	1,599	411	124	15.5
Men							
Atlantic Region	588	44.5	143	91	41	*	19.3
Quebec	1,845	46.3	370	252	96	22q	16.8
Ontario	2,534	46.4	397	284	85	28	13.9
Prairie Region	1,117	46.5	161	106	38	18q	11.9
British Columbia	742	45.3	165	114	32	18q	16.4
Canada	6,827	46.1	1,236	847	291	96	15.5
Women							
Atlantic Region	359	38.3	79	63	13q	*	17.9
Quebec	1,112	41.0	254	211	35	*	17.5
Ontario	1,775	41.4	329	278	43	*	15.0
Prairie Region	759	39.6	134	115	14q	*	11.1
British Columbia	491	40.4	103	84	13q	*	15.4
Canada	4,495	40.6	898	751	119	27q	15.4
Both Sexes							
Atlantic Region	947	42.2	222	154	54	14q	18.8
Quebec	2,956	44.3	623	463	131	29	17.1
Ontario	4,309	44.3	726	562	128	36	14.4
Prairie Region	1,877	43.7	295	221	52	22q	11.6
British Columbia	1,233	43.4	268	198	46	24q	16.0
Canada	11,322	43.9	2,135	1,599	411	124	15.5

* Sampling variability is sufficiently high to prohibit release of estimate.

Q Sampling variability of estimate is between 16.6% and 25.0%. Estimate should be used with caution.

(1) Number of persons reporting at least one week either of work, or, if did not work, of looking for work during 1975.

(2) Average weeks of labour force activity by persons recorded in column (1).

(3) Number of persons reporting at least one week of being without work and looking for work during 1975.

(4), (5), (6) Number of persons reporting, respectively, one, two or three or more periods of being without work and looking for work in 1975. The sum of (4), (5), (6) equals (3).

(7) Average weeks of being without work and looking for work by persons recorded in (3).

General: (a) Data on months and part months of work have been converted to weeks using the factor 4.3 weeks equals one month; columns and rows (as applicable) may not add due to rounding.

(b) The definition of unemployment used in this table differs somewhat from that used in the Labour Force Survey. The former does not, for example, include weeks in which an individual did not actively look for work but was waiting to begin a new job. For further details, refer to the "notes" section of Statistics Canada, *The Labour Force* (71-001).

Source: Absence for Work/Annual Work Patterns Survey, February 1976.

Annual Work Patterns, 1975 — Advance Information

Data now are available from the 1975 Annual Work Patterns Survey, undertaken as a supplement to the monthly Labour Force Survey in February 1976. The survey provides information on the labour force activity during 1975 of all persons 15 years of age and over. This information includes: the number of weeks worked; the usual number of hours worked per week; and the number of weeks during which the individuals

were without work and were looking for work. The accompanying table provides data on labour force activity and unemployment experience during 1975 detailed by sex, age and region. For further information, contact Richard Veevers (613-996-4150 or 996-4170), Labour Force Survey Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

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University Teachers' Salaries

First edition of *Salaries of Full-time Teaching Staff at Canadian Universities and Colleges, 1977-78* is available free of charge upon request.

For further information, contact Mr. N.D. Uppal (613-995-1105/6), Post-Secondary Education Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

- Trusted Pension Plans, Financial Statistics, 1976** (74-201, \$1.05)
 - Manufacturing Industries of Canada: Sub-provincial Areas, 1974** (31-209, \$6)
 - Air Carrier Traffic at Canadian Airports, Second Quarter 1977** (51-005, \$1.75/\$7)
 - International Air Charter Statistics, July-September 1977** (51-003, \$1.05/\$4.20)
 - Agriculture — Alberta, 1976 Census of Canada** (96-809, \$4.25)
 - Motion Picture Theatres and Film Distributors, 1976** (63-207, 70¢)
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Shipping Statistics, October 1977 (54-002, 30¢/\$3)

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies (Excluding Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island), November 1977 (35-002, 30¢/\$3)

The Dairy Review, December 1977 (23-001, 40¢/\$4)

Grain Milling Statistics, December 1977 (32-003, 30¢/\$3)

Production of Canada's Leading Minerals, December 1977 (26-007, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletins:

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, 1977: No. 13, Pack of Processed Blueberries; No. 14, Pack of Canned Pears

Number of Children at Home by Age Groups, for Canada and Provinces, 1976

	Under 6 years of age	6-14 years	15-17 years	18-24 years	25 years and over	Total children living at home
Newfoundland	66,660	113,565	36,035	37,620	10,315	264,195
Prince Edward Island	11,275	20,940	7,515	7,965	2,765	50,455
Nova Scotia	76,725	137,930	48,210	52,535	15,475	330,875
New Brunswick	67,960	118,405	41,340	46,260	12,825	286,795
Quebec	523,695	985,635	379,880	483,895	139,775	2,512,885
Ontario	724,820	1,303,370	459,640	517,485	112,680	3,118,000
Manitoba	94,980	158,545	55,460	56,255	15,130	380,365
Saskatchewan	85,675	151,800	54,385	46,500	13,180	351,540
Alberta	178,570	306,250	104,910	92,330	17,610	699,670
British Columbia	205,890	371,045	133,350	127,835	25,510	863,630
Yukon	2,390	3,655	1,105	770	135	8,055
Northwest Territories	6,255	9,210	2,285	1,915	615	20,280
Canada	2,044,890	3,680,345	1,324,110	1,471,380	366,020	8,886,745

Note: Excluded are children in collective households and households outside Canada.

Number of Children at Home by Age Groups, Canada and Provinces, 1976* — Advance Information

In the 1976 Census, the definition of children was expanded from previous censuses to include all persons, regardless of age, who were living with their parent(s) or guardian(s) at the time of the census. Unrelated wards or foster children, however, were not designated as children in families. The previous age restriction of under 25 years of age was eliminated. In the accompanying table, children were classified into selected age groups roughly corresponding to pre-school age (under six years), elementary school age (6-14), secondary school age (15-17), college or working age (18-24) and 25 years and over.

In 1976, there were 8,886,745 children in families in private households within Canada, a decrease of 276,355 from 1971. The distribution of total children living at home by age group showed that nationally 41.4% were 6-14 years; 23.0% were under six years; 16.6% were 18-24 years; 14.9% were 15-17 years; and 4.1% were 25 years and over. This ranking of age groups is comparable at the provincial level; however, in Saskatchewan, Alberta and the Yukon and North-

west Territories there were a greater number of children in the 15-17 year age group than in the 18-24 year age group.

* Data in this release have been rounded and tabulated from the 100% count. Future releases will also provide estimates of reliability, as well as statements concerning possible sources of error due to coverage, response or processing.

Further information along with more geographic detail will be published this year in Catalogue 93-831, Bulletin SF-1.

Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, January 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers shipped 1,385,864,000 square feet (128 750 000 m²) of corrugated boxes and wrappers in January, an increase of 6.0% from 1,307,363,000 square feet (121 457 000 m²) in January 1977.

For further information, order the January issue of *Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers* (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Economic Families in Private Households by Number of Persons, Canada and Provinces, 1976

	Total Economic Families	Persons in Economic Families	Average Number of Persons per Economic Family	Persons Not in Economic Families
Canada	5,769,860	20,476,480	3.5	1,935,520
Newfoundland	120,875	524,625	4.3	21,180
Prince Edward Island	27,810	107,345	3.9	7,600
Nova Scotia	201,925	744,260	3.7	60,905
New Brunswick	162,455	619,450	3.8	42,525
Quebec	1,561,070	5,632,050	3.6	450,555
Ontario	2,114,045	7,365,060	3.5	719,165
Manitoba	255,540	890,840	3.5	97,160
Saskatchewan	228,870	809,820	3.5	84,530
Alberta	453,105	1,602,375	3.5	178,220
British Columbia	631,045	2,124,920	3.4	267,870
Yukon	4,950	17,930	3.6	2,715
Northwest Territories	8,165	37,800	4.6	3,090

Note: Excluded are economic families, persons in economic families and persons not in economic families in collective households and households outside Canada.

Economic Families in Private Households by Number of Persons, Canada and Provinces, 1976*— Advance Information

An economic family consists of a group of two or more persons who live in the same dwelling and are related to each other by blood, marriage or adoption. A census family, the more commonly used family concept, is restricted to husband-wife (with or without never-married children) or parent-child relationships. The economic family, therefore, is a broader concept and includes within its definition a larger group of persons than does the census family. 1976 Census data shows that there were 5,769,860 economic families in private households in Canada of which 5,727,895 were census families.

The total number of persons in economic families reached 20,476,480, an increase of 4.6% from the 1971 figure. In contrast, there were 19,783,200 persons in census families, a 5.3% increase over the 1971 figure.

The average size of the economic family dropped to 3.5 persons in 1976 from 3.8 persons in 1971. The accompanying table shows that Northwest Territories and Newfoundland had the highest 1976 average family size, with 4.6 and 4.3 persons per family, respectively. Only one province, British Columbia, had an average family size lower than the national average, while Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta had averages equal to 3.5, the Canadian average.

* Data in this release have been rounded and tabulated from the 100% count. Future releases will also provide estimates of reliability, as well as statements concerning possible sources of error due to coverage, response or processing.

Further information along with more geographic detail will be published this year in Catalogue 93-835, Bulletin SF-5.

Families and Persons in Families in Private Households, Canada and Provinces, 1971 and 1976* — Advance Information

On June 1, 1976, the total number of families in private households in Canada reached 5,727,895, an increase of 13.4% from the 1971 figure of 5,053,170 families. The total number of persons in families increased 5.3% to 19.8 million in 1976 from 18.8 million in 1971. This

increase in persons was accompanied by a decrease in the average number of persons per family to 3.5 from 3.7.

The greatest percentage increase in the number of families between 1971 and 1976 occurred in the Yukon and Northwest Territories (26.8%). Persons in families also showed the greatest percentage increase in the Yukon and Northwest Territories (17.4%). British Columbia and Alberta followed with increases of 18.4% and 18.0%, respectively, in the number of families and increases of 10.9% and 9.7% in the number of persons in families. Saskatchewan with 5.0% and Manitoba with 7.4%, however, showed the lowest percentage increases in the number of families. Persons in families in Saskatchewan decreased by 2.3% from 1971 to 1976, while there was a slight increase of 1.0% in Manitoba.

* Data in this release have been rounded and tabulated from the 100% count. Future releases will also provide estimates of reliability as well as statements concerning possible sources of error due to coverage, response or processing.

Further information along with more geographic detail will be published early this year in Catalogue 93-821, Bulletin 4-2. In the meantime, further information on families and persons per family in private households for census divisions (counties, regional districts, regional municipalities, etc.) may be obtained by contacting the Census Information Services (613-996-5254), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T7.

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Motor Vehicle Production, January 1978 — Advance Information

Production of passenger cars totalled 84,154 units in January compared to 98,286 in January 1977. Production of all commercial vehicles totalled 135,238 units compared to 144,765.

For further information, order the January issue of *Motor Vehicle Shipments* (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

**Total Families and Persons in Families in Private Households,
for Canada and Provinces, 1971 and 1976**

	Total Families	Total Persons in Families	Average Number of Persons per Family
Canada			
1971	5,053,170	18,791,905	3.7
1976	5,727,895	19,783,200	3.5
Percentage change	13.4	5.3	
Newfoundland			
1971	107,960	474,160	4.4
1976	124,650	502,700	4.0
Percentage change	15.5	6.0	
Prince Edward Island			
1971	24,170	97,460	4.0
1976	27,560	102,700	3.7
Percentage change	14.0	5.4	
Nova Scotia			
1971	179,595	684,375	3.8
1976	200,480	710,365	3.5
Percentage change	11.6	3.8	
New Brunswick			
1971	139,720	560,420	4.0
1976	162,030	594,705	3.7
Percentage change	16.0	6.1	
Quebec			
1971	1,353,655	5,277,830	3.9
1976	1,540,400	5,434,790	3.5
Percentage change	13.8	3.0	
Ontario			
1971	1,877,055	6,722,500	3.6
1976	2,104,540	7,124,635	3.4
Percentage change	12.1	6.0	
Manitoba			
1971	234,595	851,050	3.6
1976	251,970	859,575	3.4
Percentage change	7.4	1.0	
Saskatchewan			
1971	214,840	802,160	3.7
1976	225,685	783,810	3.5
Percentage change	5.0	-2.3	
Alberta			
1971	380,220	1,418,880	3.7
1976	448,765	1,556,010	3.5
Percentage change	18.0	9.7	
British Columbia			
1971	530,830	1,857,410	3.5
1976	628,445	2,060,320	3.3
Percentage change	18.4	10.9	
Yukon & Northwest Territories			
1971	10,530	45,660	4.3
Yukon			
1976	4,930	17,420	3.5
Northwest Territories			
1976	8,420	36,170	4.3
Percentage change	26.8	17.4	

Note: Excluded are families and persons in families in collective households and households outside Canada.

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

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Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Charlottetown, Moncton, Saint John and Sydney by calling the operator and asking for ZENITH 22066. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

Radio Air-time sales, October 1977 — Advance Information

Gross national AM and FM radio air-time sales were \$8.8 million in October, an increase of 4.8% from \$8.4 million in October 1976. Agency and other commissions reduced gross national sales to \$7.4 million, up 4.2% from \$7.1 million.

Net local air-time sales rose 7.8% to \$16.6 million in October from \$15.4 million a year earlier.

Gross radio air-time sales for 1977 to date were reported at \$222.2 million compared to \$200.0 million for 1976, an increase of 11.1%. Net sales rose 11.0% to \$206.2 million from \$185.7 million.

For further information, order the October issue of *Radio Broadcasting* (56-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact P.T. Crosby (613-996-9274), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Telecommunication Statistics, Third Quarter 1977 — Advance Information

Teleglobe Canada, Canadian National Telecommunications and Canadian Pacific (Telecommunications Branch) reported combined quarterly revenues of \$73.8 million in the third quarter of 1977, up 3.0% from July-September 1976. Operating expenses were \$63.2 million, an increase of 16.4%. Net operating revenue at \$10.5 million was down 39.2% from the third quarter of 1976.

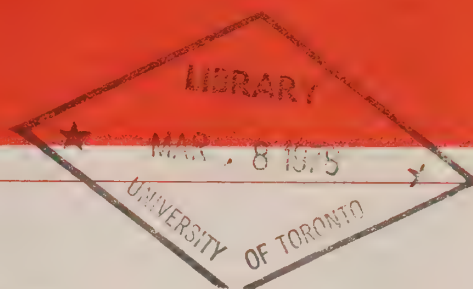
For further information, order the *Communications Service Bulletin*, Telecommunications Statistics, Third Quarter 1977 (56-001, \$1.40 a year), or contact Patrick Crosby (613-996-9274), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Fibre and Filament Yarn Manufacturers, 1976 — Advance Information

Fibre and filament yarn manufacturers shipped \$269.7 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 1.1% from 1975. Total value added by the industry decreased 8.2% to \$133.1 million, the number of employees decreased 8.1% to 5,805 and total salaries and wages increased 4.1% to 76.0 million.

For further information, contact Mr. Elliott Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Man-made Fibre Yarn and Cloth Mills*, 1976 (34-208, 70¢).

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Retail Trade, December 1977 (63-005, 55¢/\$5.50)

New Motor Vehicle Sales, December 1977 (63-007, 30¢/\$3)

Agriculture, Saskatchewan, 1976 Census of Canada, (96-808, \$5.75)

Gold Production, December 1977 (26-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletin:

Tobacco and Tobacco Products (32-022, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 16, Tobacco Stocks, December 1977

Import and Export Price and Volume Indexes

Price Indexes Weighted with Current Period Quantities
Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation
(1971=100)

	Imports	Exports
1975 Annual	157.4	173.1
1976 Annual	158.2	177.5
1977 Annual	174.2	188.7
1976		
III Quarter	158.9	178.6
IV Quarter	158.1	177.7
1977		
I Quarter	168.8	183.6
II Quarter	173.8	186.7
III Quarter	181.5	192.6
IV Quarter	184.3	192.4
1977		
July	180.3	190.0
August	185.6	197.7
September	178.6	190.7
October	182.4	191.4
November	184.0	192.2
December	187.0	193.1

Volume Indexes Weighted with 1971 Prices
Seasonally Adjusted
(1971=100)

	Imports	Exports
1975 Annual	141.1	107.8
1976 Annual	151.7	119.8
1977 Annual	154.7	130.8
1976		
III Quarter	151.2	123.4
IV Quarter	152.1	119.2
1977		
I Quarter	154.8	132.9
II Quarter	157.3	129.3
III Quarter	149.7	129.5
IV Quarter	149.3	134.8
1977		
July	150.1	134.0
August	147.8	129.9
September	151.1	124.5
October	152.0	139.6
November	137.9	117.4
December	158.1	147.7

Import and Export Price and Volume Indexes, December 1977 — Advance Information

The fourth quarter 1977 current-weighted import price index increased 1.5% over the third quarter, down significantly from the 6.8% and 3.0% increases recorded in the first and second quarters of the year. As a result of weight shifts, the export price index showed no change in the fourth quarter. Excluding weight-shift effects, the fourth quarter export price index also increased significantly less than in the first two quarters of 1977. For the full year, import prices increased 10% and export prices rose 6%.

Fourth quarter import volume was at about the same level as in the third quarter, still substantially lower than in the first half of the year. Export volume

increased 4% over the third quarter, reaching its highest level since 1971. The volume of imports for the year 1977 was 2% higher than 1976, while export volume increased 9%.

For further information, order the January issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

Sales Financing, December 1977 — Advance Information

Sales finance companies purchased \$227.0 million of retail finance paper in December, a decrease of 3.7% from the \$235.8 million purchased in December 1976. Total purchases comprised \$35.6 million for passenger cars, \$36.9 million for other consumer goods, \$86.1 million for commercial vehicles and \$68.4 million for other commercial and industrial goods.

Wholesale financing undertaken by these companies during the third quarter of 1977 amounted to \$1,706.8 million, an increase of 13.2% over the \$1,507.2 million financed in July-September 1976.

For further information, order the December issue of *Sales Financing* (63-013, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

The Dairy Review, December 1977 — Advance Information

An estimated 1,196,388,000 pounds of milk were produced for all purposes in December, an increase of 7.07% from December 1976.

This brought the total estimate of production during the year 1977 to 17,070,911,000 pounds, up 0.75% from January-December 1976.

For further information, order the January 1978 issue of *The Dairy Review* (23-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, December 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian mills shipped 199,107,000 square feet (18 498 000 m²) 3/8" (9.525 mm) basis of softwood plywood in December, down from 199,723,000 square feet (18 555 000 m²) in December 1976.

Shipments of hardwood plywood amounted to 29,547,000 square feet (2 745 000 m²) surface measure for December, a decrease of 1.1% from the same month in 1976.

For further information, order the December issue of *Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods* (35-001, 30¢/\$3) or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Residential Building Construction Input Price IndexesJanuary 1978 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Jan. 1977	% Change	
				Jan./78 Dec./77	Jan./78 Jan./77
Canada, Total	181.9	180.8	169.7	0.6	8.2
Materials	172.0	170.4	158.5	0.9	8.5
Labour	199.5	199.3	184.8	0.1	8.0
Atlantic Provinces, Total	192.0	189.8	178.8	1.2	7.4
Materials	175.2	171.7	162.6	2.0	7.8
Labour	221.2	221.2	207.0	—	6.9
Quebec, Total	184.7	182.6	168.7	1.2	9.5
Materials	178.3	175.1	163.1	1.8	9.3
Labour	196.8	196.8	179.2	—	9.8
Ontario, Total	175.6	175.9	163.3	-0.1	7.5
Materials	166.6	167.2	154.8	-0.3	7.6
Labour	191.0	190.7	177.8	0.1	7.4
Prairie Provinces, Total	192.0	189.9	176.5	1.1	8.8
Materials	176.5	173.4	160.2	1.8	10.2
Labour	222.1	222.1	208.2	—	6.7
British Columbia, Total	181.7	179.4	167.2	1.3	8.7
Materials	173.0	169.3	159.7	2.2	8.3
Labour	197.2	197.2	180.4	—	9.3

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mrs. G.A. John (613-994-5807), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended February 25, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended February 25 was 314,241 short tons (285 075 t), an increase of 2.4% from the preceding week's total of 306,962 short tons (278 471 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was 290,957 short tons (263 952 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 171.5 in the current week, 167.5 a week earlier and 158.8 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Population: Demographic Characteristics, Five-year Age Groups, 1976 Census of Canada (92-823, \$7)

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, November 1977 (35-003, 30¢/\$3)

Consumer Credit, December 1977 (61-004, 30¢/\$3)

Monthly Review of Canadian Fisheries Statistics, December 1977 (24-002, 40¢/\$4)

Refractories Manufacturers, 1976 (44-214, 70¢)

Footwear Statistics, December 1977 (33-002, 30¢/\$3)

(continued)

Telephone Statistics, December 1977 (56-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Monthly Production of Soft Drinks, January 1978 (32-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletin:

Rubber and Plastics Products Industries (47-002, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 9,
Production and Shipments of Plastic Bottles, Quarter Ended December 31, 1977

Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

	Dec. 1977f	Nov. 1977p	Oct. 1977r	Dec. 1976
	(\$ millions)			
	Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Agriculture	66.4	77.9	95.9	56.3
Forestry	103.6	110.0	119.9	91.5
Mining	244.6	247.3	245.7	229.0
Manufacturing	2,097.4	2,128.7	2,135.4	1,958.5
Construction	701.4	795.9	884.9	673.9
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	977.3	988.2	988.4	948.1
Trade	1,288.6	1,241.5	1,230.9	1,243.1
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	608.8	601.5	598.3	538.4
Service	2,402.4	2,399.0	2,384.6	2,299.5
Public Administration and Defence(1)	870.3	851.7	845.1	819.4
Total, Wages and Salaries(2)	9,372.7	9,448.7	9,539.6	8,862.3
Supplementary Labour Income	767.7	774.4	781.8	702.9
Total, Labour Income(2)	10,140.4	10,223.2	10,321.5	9,565.2
	Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Agriculture	91.4	89.5	87.6	77.1
Forestry	116.6	103.9	104.6	102.7
Mining	244.7	244.7	245.6	229.1
Manufacturing	2,131.1	2,116.4	2,089.4	1,990.8
Construction	816.0	759.5	776.1	784.4
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	993.4	997.0	990.5	962.9
Trade	1,246.7	1,215.0	1,216.0	1,204.6
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	618.0	611.9	605.4	547.1
Service	2,372.5	2,345.7	2,318.8	2,279.8
Public Administration and Defence(1)	880.3	865.5	857.5	827.6
Total, Wages and Salaries(2)	9,522.1	9,362.5	9,304.8	9,013.1
Supplementary Labour Income	779.6	767.8	764.2	742.4
Total, Labour Income(2)	10,301.7	10,130.3	10,069.0	9,744.4

f First estimates.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures

(1) Excludes military pay and allowances.

(2) Includes fishing and trapping.

.. Not available.

Estimates of Labour Income, December 1977 — Advance Information

Total labour income for the month of December was estimated at \$10.1 billion.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, wages and salaries increased by \$160 million (1.7%) between November and December to \$9.5 billion.

At annual levels, labour income increased by \$10.7 billion or almost 10% to \$118.3 billion in 1977 from \$107.6 billion in 1976.

Detailed estimates will be published in the October-December issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-005, \$1.05/\$4.20), or can be obtained from Mrs. G. Gauthier (613-995-8067), Labour Income Section, Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

Air Passenger Origin and Destination, 1977 — Advance Information

Second quarter 1977 Canada-U.S.A. and third quarter Domestic Air Passenger Origin and Destination data are now available.

For further information, contact Mrs. J.C. Tessier (613-995-9897), Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1977				% Change
		Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	
Real Domestic Product	100.000	128.0	128.3	128.9	129.0	0.1
Agriculture	3.371	97.0	97.4	97.1	98.6	1.5
Forestry	.715	117.0	114.0	115.0	118.0	2.6
Fishing and Trapping	.181	111.2	117.2	118.5	108.4	-8.5
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	111.5	109.0	112.2	112.3	0.1
Manufacturing industries	22.862	124.0	124.6	124.5	124.6	0.1
Construction industry	6.990	110.5	112.8	111.3	110.8	-0.4
Transportation, storage and communication	9.096	139.0	137.8	137.9	136.9	-0.7
Transportation	5.874	128.2	126.7	126.2	123.6	-2.1
<i>Air transport and services incidental to air transport</i>	.679	178.6	180.6	178.1	176.3	-1.0
<i>Railway transport</i>	1.700	123.5	121.9	121.8	113.5	-6.8
<i>Bus transport, interurban and rural</i>	.089	135.5	134.3	138.2	145.4	5.2
<i>Urban transit systems</i>	.250	126.9	114.6	103.1	109.5	6.2
<i>Pipeline transport</i>	.489	122.0	120.7	122.8	124.0	1.0
Storage	.258	113.6	109.0	103.5	96.6	-6.7
<i>Grain elevators</i>	.177	102.9	96.6	90.1	78.3	-13.1
Communication	2.964	162.6	162.3	164.1	166.7	1.6
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	145.3	147.8	150.3	151.8	1.0
Trade	11.367	134.7	133.6	136.5	136.3	-0.1
<i>Wholesale trade</i>	4.509	126.6	125.1	124.9	126.9	1.6
<i>Wholesale merchants</i>	3.242	126.7	125.9	126.2	128.2	1.6
<i>Retail trade</i>	6.858	139.9	139.3	144.1	142.6	-1.0
<i>Food stores</i>	1.368	115.6	115.4	117.6	116.3	-1.1
<i>General merchandise stores</i>	1.562	142.9	140.6	149.2	142.9	-4.2
<i>Department stores</i>	.927	165.9	160.8	177.0	166.2	-6.1
<i>Other general merchandise stores</i>	.635	109.3	111.0	108.7	108.9	0.2
<i>Motor vehicle dealers</i>	.697	158.3	156.3	150.4	150.5	0.1
<i>Clothing stores</i>	.462	124.6	120.9	129.5	128.3	-0.9
<i>Hardware stores</i>	.098	116.2	114.6	119.1	121.5	2.0
<i>Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores</i>	.177	138.8	131.9	136.2	135.0	-0.9
<i>Drug stores</i>	.290	169.4	168.5	178.7	176.7	-1.1
Finance, insurance and real estate	12.036	135.3	135.5	136.4	137.1	0.5
Community, business and personal service industries	19.359	133.4	134.1	134.9	134.8	-0.1
<i>Education and related services</i>	6.509	109.8	110.2	110.6	109.8	-0.7
<i>Health and welfare services</i>	5.272	133.7	134.0	134.4	134.7	0.2
<i>Amusement and recreation services</i>	.427	176.1	178.3	175.6	182.4	3.9
<i>Services to business management</i>	2.311	193.7	194.8	196.6	197.6	0.5
<i>Personal services</i>	1.000	106.9	107.4	107.1	107.6	0.5
<i>Accommodation and food services</i>	2.799	141.0	142.6	145.5	143.7	-1.2
Public administration and defence	7.388	125.3	125.5	125.3	126.1	0.6
Special groupings:						
<i>Index of industrial production</i>	29.497	124.4	124.8	125.4	125.6	0.2
<i>Real domestic product less agriculture</i>	96.629	129.1	129.3	130.0	130.1	0.1
<i>Goods-producing industries</i>	40.754	119.5	120.2	120.4	120.6	0.2
<i>Goods-producing industries less agriculture</i>	37.383	121.6	122.3	122.5	122.6	0.1
<i>Service-producing industries</i>	59.246	133.9	133.8	134.8	134.8	—
<i>Commercial industries</i>	81.341	130.4	130.6	131.4	131.5	0.1
<i>Commercial industries less agriculture</i>	77.970	131.8	132.1	132.9	132.9	—
<i>Non-commercial industries</i>	18.659	117.9	118.0	118.2	118.2	—
<i>Non-durable manufacturing industries</i>	11.496	120.3	121.6	120.8	120.9	0.1
<i>Durable manufacturing industries</i>	11.366	127.7	127.6	128.3	128.3	—

Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	1977 3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	% Change
Real Domestic Product	100.000	127.0	127.3	127.8	128.7	0.7
Agriculture	3.371	94.3	94.8	97.2	97.7	0.5
Forestry	.715	121.2	121.0	121.1	115.7	-4.5
Fishing and Trapping	.181	83.1	113.8	113.4	114.7	1.1
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	116.2	116.4	113.2	111.2	-1.8
Manufacturing industries	22.862	122.7	123.9	123.8	124.6	0.6
Construction industry	6.990	115.3	114.8	112.1	111.6	-0.4
Transportation, storage and communication	9.096	134.4	135.7	137.7	137.5	-0.1
Transportation	5.874	124.0	126.0	127.7	125.5	-1.7
<i>Air transport and services incidental to air transport</i>	<i>.679</i>	<i>184.7</i>	<i>184.6</i>	<i>179.9</i>	<i>178.3</i>	<i>-0.9</i>
<i>Railway transport</i>	<i>1.700</i>	<i>117.3</i>	<i>120.7</i>	<i>123.2</i>	<i>119.1</i>	<i>-3.4</i>
<i>Bus transport, interurban and rural</i>	<i>.089</i>	<i>127.0</i>	<i>126.2</i>	<i>131.8</i>	<i>139.3</i>	<i>5.7</i>
<i>Urban transit systems</i>	<i>.250</i>	<i>118.4</i>	<i>116.2</i>	<i>121.7</i>	<i>109.1</i>	<i>-10.4</i>
<i>Pipeline transport</i>	<i>.489</i>	<i>129.0</i>	<i>128.0</i>	<i>119.3</i>	<i>122.5</i>	<i>2.7</i>
Storage	.258	107.3	113.5	116.5	103.0	-11.6
<i>Grain elevators</i>	<i>.177</i>	<i>94.1</i>	<i>104.3</i>	<i>107.5</i>	<i>88.3</i>	<i>-17.9</i>
Communication	2.964	157.3	156.8	159.5	164.4	3.1
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	145.6	139.6	144.6	150.0	3.7
Trade	11.367	135.2	132.6	134.1	135.5	1.0
Wholesale trade	4.509	127.3	126.2	126.4	125.6	-0.6
<i>Wholesale merchants</i>	<i>3.242</i>	<i>128.9</i>	<i>127.5</i>	<i>126.6</i>	<i>126.8</i>	<i>0.1</i>
Retail trade	6.858	140.5	136.8	139.2	142.0	2.0
<i>Food stores</i>	<i>1.368</i>	<i>114.4</i>	<i>114.7</i>	<i>114.2</i>	<i>116.4</i>	<i>2.0</i>
<i>General merchandise stores</i>	<i>1.562</i>	<i>142.7</i>	<i>138.4</i>	<i>144.1</i>	<i>144.2</i>	<i>0.1</i>
<i>Department stores</i>	<i>.927</i>	<i>166.0</i>	<i>157.9</i>	<i>166.7</i>	<i>168.0</i>	<i>0.8</i>
<i>Other general merchandise stores</i>	<i>.635</i>	<i>108.6</i>	<i>109.8</i>	<i>111.2</i>	<i>109.5</i>	<i>-1.5</i>
<i>Motor vehicle dealers</i>	<i>.697</i>	<i>162.8</i>	<i>150.6</i>	<i>152.5</i>	<i>152.4</i>	<i>-0.1</i>
<i>Clothing stores</i>	<i>.462</i>	<i>130.2</i>	<i>123.2</i>	<i>128.9</i>	<i>126.2</i>	<i>-2.1</i>
<i>Hardware stores</i>	<i>.098</i>	<i>117.5</i>	<i>120.1</i>	<i>119.6</i>	<i>118.4</i>	<i>-1.0</i>
<i>Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores</i>	<i>.177</i>	<i>145.9</i>	<i>143.3</i>	<i>141.7</i>	<i>134.4</i>	<i>-5.2</i>
<i>Drug stores</i>	<i>.290</i>	<i>161.3</i>	<i>164.4</i>	<i>166.7</i>	<i>174.6</i>	<i>4.8</i>
Finance, insurance and real estate	12.036	132.5	134.4	135.3	136.3	0.8
Community, business and personal service industries	19.359	130.8	131.8	132.6	134.6	1.5
<i>Education and related services</i>	<i>6.509</i>	<i>109.2</i>	<i>109.7</i>	<i>109.0</i>	<i>110.2</i>	<i>1.1</i>
<i>Health and welfare services</i>	<i>5.272</i>	<i>131.8</i>	<i>133.1</i>	<i>133.3</i>	<i>134.4</i>	<i>0.8</i>
<i>Amusement and recreation services</i>	<i>.427</i>	<i>163.3</i>	<i>170.4</i>	<i>171.7</i>	<i>178.8</i>	<i>4.1</i>
<i>Services to business management</i>	<i>2.311</i>	<i>185.8</i>	<i>187.5</i>	<i>193.0</i>	<i>196.3</i>	<i>1.7</i>
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1.000</i>	<i>106.5</i>	<i>107.6</i>	<i>106.7</i>	<i>107.4</i>	<i>0.6</i>
<i>Accommodation and food services</i>	<i>2.799</i>	<i>137.6</i>	<i>137.6</i>	<i>139.4</i>	<i>143.9</i>	<i>3.2</i>
Public administration and defence	7.388	125.6	124.4	124.6	125.6	0.8
Special groupings:						
<i>Index of industrial production</i>	<i>29.497</i>	<i>124.0</i>	<i>124.4</i>	<i>124.4</i>	<i>125.3</i>	<i>0.7</i>
<i>Real domestic product less agriculture</i>	<i>96.629</i>	<i>128.2</i>	<i>128.4</i>	<i>128.9</i>	<i>129.8</i>	<i>0.7</i>
<i>Goods-producing industries</i>	<i>40.754</i>	<i>119.9</i>	<i>120.2</i>	<i>119.9</i>	<i>120.4</i>	<i>0.4</i>
<i>Goods-producing industries less agriculture</i>	<i>37.383</i>	<i>122.1</i>	<i>122.5</i>	<i>122.0</i>	<i>122.5</i>	<i>0.4</i>
<i>Service-producing industries</i>	<i>59.246</i>	<i>131.9</i>	<i>132.1</i>	<i>133.3</i>	<i>134.5</i>	<i>0.9</i>
<i>Commercial industries</i>	<i>81.341</i>	<i>129.2</i>	<i>129.6</i>	<i>130.2</i>	<i>131.2</i>	<i>0.7</i>
<i>Commercial industries less agriculture</i>	<i>77.970</i>	<i>130.7</i>	<i>131.1</i>	<i>131.7</i>	<i>132.6</i>	<i>0.7</i>
<i>Non-commercial industries</i>	<i>18.659</i>	<i>117.5</i>	<i>117.5</i>	<i>117.3</i>	<i>118.1</i>	<i>0.7</i>
<i>Non-durable manufacturing industries</i>	<i>11.496</i>	<i>120.5</i>	<i>121.6</i>	<i>120.8</i>	<i>121.1</i>	<i>0.2</i>
<i>Durable manufacturing industries</i>	<i>11.366</i>	<i>125.0</i>	<i>126.3</i>	<i>126.9</i>	<i>128.1</i>	<i>0.9</i>

Advance Estimates of Employees

December 1977

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Number of Employees									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations						Seasonally adjusted			
	Dec. 1977f	Nov. 1977p	Oct. 1977r	Sept. 1977r	Dec. 1976	Nov. 1976	Dec. 1977f	Nov. 1977p	Oct. 1977r	Sept. 1977r
	(000's)									
Industry Division										
Forestry	64.4	69.4	73.3	75.3	53.0	58.5	70.7	67.7	66.9	65.6
Mining (including milling)	137.5	141.3	142.3	141.6	136.3	137.8	138.8	141.3	142.6	141.7
Manufacturing	1,736.8	1,782.9	1,800.2	1,810.6	1,734.6	1,775.5	1,780.0	1,781.7	1,786.0	1,781.3
Construction	401.0	469.5	500.8	517.0	413.7	476.0	458.6	456.7	457.7	464.8
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	796.9	804.4	813.8	821.8	776.4	790.1	814.2	806.9	809.2	809.8
Trade	1,471.6	1,469.8	1,451.9	1,429.4	1,424.7	1,423.0	1,437.7	1,439.6	1,432.7	1,428.9
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	488.7	489.5	487.6	486.9	443.9	444.6	491.4	491.4	488.9	487.4
Total Service	2,511.7	2,552.1	2,538.1	2,515.8	2,365.6	2,402.8	2,532.4	2,524.0	2,506.0	2,499.0
Non-commercial Service	1,404.9	1,427.6	1,414.0	1,379.9	1,380.6	1,404.8	1,389.2	1,384.7	1,380.7	1,375.4
Commercial Service	1,106.8	1,124.5	1,124.1	1,135.8	985.0	998.0	1,143.2	1,139.4	1,125.3	1,123.6
Public Administration and Defence(1)	615.0	614.5	616.5	625.8	598.8	601.4	632.4	627.5	628.4	626.4
Total Non-agricultural Industries(2)	8,229.6	8,398.8	8,430.4	8,433.8	7,952.7	8,114.5	8,364.4	8,342.8	8,324.5	8,313.2
Total Non-agricultural Industries										
Newfoundland	125.0	131.4	134.2	135.6	123.9	129.8	129.6	129.5	130.3	129.7
Prince Edward Island	27.4	28.3	29.3	30.6	27.7	28.9	28.8	28.1	28.4	28.8
Nova Scotia	239.4	246.5	245.6	247.5	233.5	240.9	245.1	245.9	242.5	242.1
New Brunswick	184.7	193.1	194.6	197.7	177.7	186.0	192.7	192.8	191.1	189.5
Quebec	2,089.0	2,137.7	2,161.2	2,168.3	2,039.3	2,082.3	2,119.7	2,109.6	2,120.5	2,128.2
Ontario	3,312.6	3,375.8	3,379.9	3,353.6	3,198.7	3,264.4	3,363.2	3,361.5	3,349.2	3,321.6
Manitoba	342.0	351.7	354.5	355.4	339.8	345.8	347.3	349.8	350.7	350.6
Saskatchewan	253.2	256.3	255.4	257.9	250.8	253.8	257.4	255.7	253.5	254.7
Alberta	721.0	732.2	730.6	733.4	681.2	686.9	729.6	728.8	724.9	726.4
British Columbia	908.0	918.5	917.1	920.8	854.5	870.7	920.2	912.8	904.8	910.9
Canada(3)	8,229.6	8,398.8	8,430.4	8,433.8	7,952.7	8,114.5	8,364.4	8,342.8	8,324.5	8,313.2

f first estimate based on a limited number of returns

p preliminary figures

r revised figures

(1) Excludes military personnel

(2) Includes Fishing and Trapping

(3) Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories

Estimates of Employees, December 1977 — Advance Information

Monthly estimates of employment by province and industry for the period of 1961 to 1974 have already been published in catalogue 72-514. Revised and updated data from January 1961 to December 1976 inclusive will be included in an historical publication; this publication, to be released in the near future, will also contain notes on concepts and methods.

Monthly summary data is released on a regular basis in the Statistics Canada Daily, while detailed monthly information is published in catalogue 72-008, *Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry*.

Data from 1961 to 1976 are available on request from Mr. G. Mahoney (613-992-3868), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, December 1977 — Advance Information

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 912.6 million feet board measure (2 153 600 m³) of lumber and ties in December compared to a revised 947.0 million feet board measure (2 234 700 m³) in December 1976.

Production for the year 1977 increased to 12,038.4 million feet board measure (28 407 600 m³) from 10,745.0 million feet board measure (25 355 400 m³) in 1976.

For further information, order the December issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

February 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	Feb. 24/78 This week	Feb. 17/78 Week ago	Jan. 27/78 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	96.9	96.8	96.7
Industrials	85	90.0	90.1	90.4
Foods	9	103.0	101.1	97.9
Alcoholic beverages	5	81.8	81.9	78.8
Textiles and clothing	3	122.0	122.8	119.0
Pulp and paper	7	114.1	115.4	110.9
Printing and publishing	5	99.6	95.6	92.0
Primary metals	4	100.9	98.5	95.8
Industrial mines	6	61.8	63.1	64.1
Metal fabricating	9	157.4	159.3	170.0
Non-metallic minerals	4	96.4	97.6	97.7
Petroleum	8	98.1	97.4	101.0
Chemicals	5	106.5	105.3	101.2
Construction	5	270.5	270.6	274.5
Trade	15	78.9	79.8	79.6
Utilities and services	28	102.7	102.0	102.7
Transportation	6	126.7	127.0	125.9
Pipelines	5	89.0	88.8	89.8
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	106.8	107.1	106.7
Telephone	4	109.0	107.2	107.1
Electric power	3	135.3	133.4	134.5
Gas distribution	5	83.4	82.8	86.1
Finances	21	122.7	122.7	118.8
Banks	8	123.7	124.2	118.8
Investment and loan	9	116.8	115.4	116.3
Insurance	4	138.8	137.2	131.0
Mining Index	17	124.0	125.8	128.5
Gold	9	279.1	280.7	285.9
Base metals	8	49.7	51.6	53.0
Uraniums	2	184.7	186.7	179.3
Primary oils and gas index	5	128.2	127.8	132.1

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Sales of Cement, January 1978 — Advance Information

Advance information on sales of cement as reported by Canadian producers for the month of January 1978 is now available.

For details, contact Gordon McWade (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Imports by Commodities

Full details on commodity-country import trade for December are now available either on microfiche or by telephone in advance of the regular publication, *Imports by Commodities* (65-007, 80¢/\$8). Direct information requests to G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Farm Cash Receipts, December 1977 (21-001, 30¢/\$3)

Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics, December 1977 (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Bread and Other Bakery Products, Quarter Ended December 31, 1977 (32-015, 35¢/\$1.40)

Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries, December 1977 (43-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

Gross National Product, Fourth Quarter 1977

Gross National Product, seasonally adjusted at annual rates, increased 1.9% in the fourth quarter to a level of \$214.7 billion; in real terms — that is, after adjustment for price changes — GNP grew 0.8%. This increase originated in the foreign sector, as exports rose 4.7% in volume terms and real imports fell 1.5%. The drop in import volume was caused, at least in part, by a 0.6% decline in final domestic demand, with declines in personal expenditure, government current expenditure and gross fixed capital formation.

The fourth quarter movements left GNP for the year as a whole up 9.3% from 1976. This translates into a real increase of 2.6%, compared with 4.9% in 1976.

The year began strongly with real output growing 1.8% in the first quarter, primarily on the strength of a 6.7% increase in real exports, and a 5.1% increase in real government expenditure. Personal expenditure, however, did not grow appreciably in the first quarter and declined 0.9% in the second. With real exports almost unchanged in the second quarter and only modest growth in other expenditure aggregates, real output remained at about the first quarter level. The third quarter saw a resumption of real growth, as personal expenditure recovered and a decline in imports led to an improvement in real net exports, despite a drop in export volume. Renewed growth in real exports in the fourth quarter was then sufficient to offset the weakness in domestic demand and generate continued real growth, although at a much lower rate than in the third quarter.

The net effect of these quarterly movements was to leave seasonally-adjusted real GNP in the fourth quarter 4.0% above the level of the same quarter of the previous year, with most of the growth attributable to the strength in exports. Personal expenditure increased only 0.9% in the same period, and real gross fixed capital formation declined 0.8%. The weakness in domestic demand helped to lower imports, which fell 2.0% from the fourth quarter of 1976 to the fourth quarter of 1977.

These changes from the fourth quarter of 1976 illustrate the extent to which the real sector of the economy was dominated in 1977 by the decline in the international value of the Canadian dollar, and the price movements which resulted from it. The 16.6% increase in import prices from the fourth quarter of 1976 made a significant contribution to the increases in the implicit price indexes for most major expenditure aggregates. Prices of domestically-produced goods and services, however, decelerated substantially, perhaps partly in response to the weakness in domestic demand and the moderate growth in labour costs. Labour income in the fourth quarter was 7.8% higher than in the fourth quarter of 1976, the lowest quarterly change from the previous year in almost seven years, while the implicit GNE price index was up 5.5% compared to the same quarter a year earlier, the lowest such increase since 1972.

Some substitution of domestically-produced goods for imports apparently resulted from the differential rates of inflation in these two aggregates, as imports dropped to 25.4% of final domestic demand from 26.1% in the fourth quarter of 1976. The decline in the Canadian dollar also appeared to help export sales, which were up 9.8% in real terms from a year earlier.

1977 Annual

The major source of strength in 1977 as a whole was external demand. Real exports were 7.7% higher than in 1976, and with real imports increasing only 2.0%, real net exports (real exports less real imports) contributed more than one percentage point to the increase in real GNP. Real personal expenditure and real government current expenditure on goods and services both grew at rates well below their long-term averages, real gross fixed capital formation declined, and inventory investment fell substantially.

Wages, salaries, and supplementary labour income grew at about the same rate as total GNP in 1977, increasing 10.0% after a 15.0% rise in 1976. Corporation profits before taxes were up 11.4% compared to 1976, and after-tax profits increased 18.8%. Other non-wage income grew 9.1%, despite a 13.6% decline in accrued net income of farm operators.

Personal disposable income increased 10.5% in 1977 to a level of \$139.3 billion, of which 10.7% was saved. Total personal expenditure rose 10.3%.

In real terms, personal expenditure increased 2.8% in 1977, with the largest percentage increase — 5.2% — in spending on services, reflecting higher net expenditure abroad and a large increase in spending on financial and legal services. Growth in durable expenditure fell to 2.4% from 5.4% in 1976, with the largest decline in spending on household appliances. Expenditure on semi-durable goods increased 1.0%, as real expenditure on household furnishings was unchanged from the previous year, and spending on clothing and footwear declined. Expenditure on non-durables was up only 0.7%, reflecting only marginal growth in energy products as well as food, beverages and tobacco.

Gross fixed capital formation fell 0.6% in real terms in 1977, with all of the decline in business fixed investment. Business investment in residential construction fell 6.0%, and machinery and equipment investment dropped 1.7%. Because non-residential construction increased 3.7%, total business investment in plant and equipment was virtually unchanged from 1976.

After substantial accumulation in 1976, inventory investment swung to slight liquidation in real terms. Most of this swing was concentrated in the non-farm business sector, which accumulated by \$122 million in 1977 after a very strong \$1,068 million accumulation in 1976. On an industry basis, wholesalers liquidated inventories by \$105 million after an accumulation of \$466 million in 1976. Retail trade recorded a moderate accumulation of \$60 million in 1977, a decline of \$411 million from the accumulation of \$471 million in 1976. There was an accumulation of \$95 million in manufacturing, approximately the same level as 1976. Additionally, farm inventories swung from an accumulation of \$167 million in 1976 to a liquidation of \$208 million in 1977.

The 10.0% rise in real exports of goods in 1977 was primarily the result of strong increases in exports of motor vehicles and parts and fabricated materials. Lumber and wheat exports were also strong in 1977. The weak 1.1% increase in real imports of goods was the result of widespread declines in imports of food,

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crude and fabricated materials, and industrial machinery, partially offsetting large increases in imports of passenger cars and motor vehicle parts.

The service account continued to deteriorate in 1977, but at a slower rate than in 1976. This was primarily a result of a reduction in the rate of growth of tourism abroad, offsetting accelerating interest and dividend payments to non-residents.

Total revenues of all levels of government combined (excluding intergovernmental transfers) increased by 8.6% in 1977, a much slower rate of increase than in 1976. Most of the revenue components showed sharply lower rates of growth in 1977 than in 1976, reflecting the lower rate of growth in incomes.

Total government expenditure rose by 11.2% for the year, just somewhat lower than the 1976 rate of 12.4%. Outlays on goods and services increased by 10.0%, one of the smallest rates of change in several years, as wage and salary payments, which account for almost 60% of total government expenditure on goods and services, grew by 9.5%, after increases of about 20% in the previous two years. Transfer payments to persons increased by 14.7%, a rate similar to that of the previous year. With expenditures rising more rapidly than revenues, the deficit, on a national accounts basis, for the government sector as a whole, rose from \$3.4 billion in 1976 to \$5.6 billion in 1977.

Fourth Quarter 1977

Wages, salaries, and supplementary labour income increased 1.5% in the fourth quarter. Corporation profits before taxes were up 3.2% from the third quarter, with the largest increases in mining, manufacturing and trade. This increase left profits 22.8% above the depressed level of the fourth quarter of 1976.

Interest, dividends, and miscellaneous investment income increased 4.0% in the fourth quarter, and government transfers to persons and unincorporated business were up 4.0%. These increases together with the rise in labour income more than offset a 8.2% decline in farm income and very marginal growth in non-farm unincorporated business income, with the result that personal income grew 1.9%. Because personal income tax collections declined from the third quarter, personal disposable income grew by a more rapid 2.7%.

A higher proportion of personal disposable income was saved than in the third quarter, and personal expenditure grew a comparatively modest 1.7%. Spending on semi- and non-durable goods was relatively strong, but service expenditure increased only 1.1% and spending on durable goods declined 0.2%. In real terms, personal expenditure was virtually unchanged from the third quarter. Durable expenditure fell 2.0%, semi-durable expenditure was up 1.4%, and expenditure on non-durables grew 0.4%. Spending on services remained at about the third quarter level.

Gross fixed capital formation declined 1.0% in the fourth quarter, which translates into a 2.1% drop in real terms. Business investment in residential construction declined 4.4% in real terms, reflecting a change in the composition of housing starts away from single-family homes. The volume of business investment in machinery and equipment declined 3.7%, and business investment in non-residential construction fell marginally. These movements left business investment in

plant and equipment almost unchanged from the level of the fourth quarter of the previous year.

Inventory investment fell considerably in the fourth quarter, as \$164 million of stocks were liquidated after an accumulation of \$516 million last quarter. The liquidation was confined to farm inventories, which fell by \$744 million. About \$540 million in non-farm business inventories were accumulated. This represents an increase of \$432 million in real stocks, approximately the same accumulation as in the previous quarter. The fourth quarter stockbuilding was concentrated in wholesale trade, while in the third quarter it occurred primarily in manufacturing.

Exports of goods and services rose 5.1% in the fourth quarter to a level of \$55.2 billion. With imports growing only 0.7%, the deficit in trade of goods and services improved by more than two billion dollars to \$3.0 billion. About one-fifth of the improvement occurred in the foreign travel deficit. In real terms, exports were up 4.7% while imports declined 1.5%.

The implicit price index for exports of goods and services rose only 0.4% in the fourth quarter. This very modest increase played a major role in restraining the over-all GNP price index, but it reflected a change in the composition of exports more than price changes per se. There was an irregular movement in the composition of exports in the third quarter, as automobile exports declined, apparently as a result of a longer-than-normal model changeover period. This movement raised the export price index at that time, and a return to a more 'normal' export mix in the fourth quarter reduced the impact of fourth quarter price changes. The effect of these weight shifts is illustrated by the fact that the Laspeyres export price index, which holds export composition constant, increased 1.8% in the fourth quarter.

The implicit price index for non-residential construction also had a relatively modest fourth quarter increase, largely because of weak building material price increases. The implicit price index for personal expenditure, however, rose 1.8% with the largest increase in the non-durable goods implicit price index. Over-all, the implicit price index for GNE rose 1.0%.

Total revenue of all levels of government combined (excluding intergovernmental transfers) increased by only 0.1% in the fourth quarter of 1977 following a 2.7% increase in the third quarter. Increases in revenues from indirect taxes, investment income and direct corporation taxes were almost offset by a decline in revenues from personal direct taxes.

Total government expenditures rose by 1.9% in the quarter. The largest absolute increase was in transfer payments to persons, with the major part of the gain in federal unemployment insurance payments. Purchases of goods and services increased by 1.2%, with small increases at the provincial, local and hospital levels.

Thus, with an increase in total government expenditure and relatively no growth in revenue, the government sector deficit, on a national accounts basis, and seasonally adjusted at annual rates, increased to \$7.5 billion in the fourth quarter from a rate of \$6.0 billion in the third quarter.

Unemployment Insurance Statistics

	Dec. 1977	Nov. 1977	Dec. 1976	% Change From	
				Nov. 1977	Dec. 1976
Benefits					
Gross amount (\$000)	319,439	316,721	272,186	1	17
Net amount (1) (\$000)	317,734	314,249	270,848	1	17
Weeks of benefit (000)	3,018	3,063	2,787	-1	8
Average weekly benefit (\$)	105.84	103.40	97.65	2	8
Claims received (000)	317	318	304	—	4
Beneficiaries (000)	824p	689p	731	20	13

	1977	To Date	1976	% Change From	
				12 Months	1977/1976
Benefits					
Gross amount (\$000)	3,909,044		3,361,573		16
Net amount (1) (\$000)	3,884,969		3,342,247		16
Weeks of benefit (000)	38,702		36,190		7
Average weekly benefit (\$)	101.00		92.89		9
Claims received (000)	2,806		2,678		5
Beneficiaries(2) (000)	749p		701		7

(1) After cancellation of warrants and collection of overpayments.

(2) Monthly average

p Preliminary figures

— Amount too small to be expressed

For further information order the December 1977 issue of *Preliminary Unemployment Insurance Statistics* (73-001-p) or *Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act* (73-001, Quarterly, \$1.05/\$4.20) or contact George Fincham (613-992-7461) Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Preliminary Report on Unemployment Insurance Statistics, December 1977 — Advance Information

Some 824,000* persons were in receipt of unemployment insurance benefit for the week ending December 10, an increase of 20% from November and up 13% from December 1976. Seven percent of the beneficiaries reported some work earnings during the latest month.

Net unemployment insurance benefit paid in December amounted to \$318 million*, up 1% from the previous month and 17% from a year earlier. The net payout for the calendar year 1977 rose to \$3,885 million, 16% more than in 1976. The average weekly benefit advanced 9% to \$101.00 and the number of weeks of benefit increased 7% from the preceding year.

Claims filed by persons seeking benefit numbered 317,000 in December, down marginally from November (normally, the claim load rises in December; percentage increases from 1971 to 1976 ranged from 3% to 31% between these two months). Compared with

a year earlier, a 4% rise was recorded. Claims for the calendar year 1977 reached 2,806,000, up 5% from 1976.

* The count of beneficiaries cannot be related to the benefit payments made during a month. Whereas the latter figure covers all benefit payments made during the month, the count of beneficiaries represents the number of persons receiving benefit for a specific week each month.

Electric Power Statistics, November 1977 — Advance Information

In November net generation increased to 28.4 TW.h from 26.1 TW.h in November 1976. Hydro generation increased 14.4% while thermal production decreased 3.9%.

For further information, order the November issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Preliminary Report on Job Vacancies, Three Months Ended January 31, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates for the three-month period ended January 31 show a decrease in the average number of vacant jobs from the previous three-month period and from the comparable period a year earlier. Vacancies for full-time, part-time and casual jobs declined 29% to 35,700* from 50,500 vacancies reported in the August-October period. Compared with the three-month period a year ago, the number of vacancies decreased by 2,000, or 5%.

Vacancies for full-time jobs decreased by 26% from the preceding period to 32,300. Longer-term vacancies (jobs unfilled for more than four weeks) declined by 24% to 11,700.

For every 1,000 existing jobs in the latest three-month period, four were vacant, a decrease of two from the preceding period; there was no change in the vacancy rate from the comparable period a year ago. The highest vacancy rates were observed in Alberta (eight per 1,000) and Manitoba (five per 1,000). The lowest rate (three per 1,000) occurred in Newfoundland and New Brunswick.

* The Job Vacancy Survey provides an estimate of the average number of vacancies available on any given day in a three-month period. The estimate of this three-month average is derived from six observations taken at regular intervals. Consequently, the survey does not cover those vacancies which occur and are filled between individual observations. In addition, the survey does not cover openings in agriculture, fishing, hunting, trapping and households. From January 1978 the Job Vacancy Survey is being conducted by mail only — personal interviews have been discontinued to reduce costs. Henceforth, estimates obtained from data collected by mail will be adjusted by a factor based on the measured effect of interviews on

estimates produced over the past seven years. The data derived from the Job Vacancy Survey, taken over time, are consistent and reliable indicators of trends in job openings. For detailed definitions and design of the survey see Canadian Job Vacancy Survey, Technical Appendix, 1972 (71-521, 50¢).

Vacancy Rates for Part-time and Full-time Jobs Canada and Provinces

	Three-month Periods Ending		
	Jan. 1978p	Oct. 1977	Jan. 1977
	(Rates per 1,000 jobs)		
Canada(1)	4	6	4
Atlantic Provinces(2)	3	4	3
Newfoundland	3	4	4
Nova Scotia	4	4	2
New Brunswick	3	4	4
Quebec	4	4	4
Ontario	4	6	4
Manitoba	5	5	4
Saskatchewan	4	5	7
Alberta	8	11	10
British Columbia	4	5	3

p Preliminary estimates.

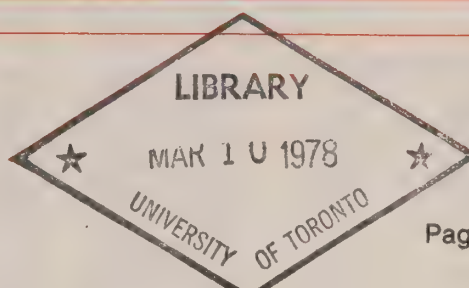
(1) Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories.

(2) Includes Prince Edward Island.

For further information, contact Mr. J.A. Boucek (613-992-2006), or Ms. M. Beaubien (613-996-7148), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

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Statistics of Criminal and Other Offences, 1973 (85-201, \$6)

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(million of dollars)

		1976					1977				
		Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total	Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total
Canada — Unadjusted	Oct.	656.7	89.4	220.9	99.1	1,066.1	631.0	111.6	205.5	87.9	1,036.0
	Nov.	606.1	77.3	228.9	129.5	1,041.9	673.0	72.5	210.5	126.9	1,082.9
	Dec.	382.4	67.1	218.3	119.6	787.4	498.0	65.9	200.5	83.5	847.9
Canada — Adjusted	Oct.	620.0	74.0	231.7	78.0	1,003.7	590.3	89.0	218.3	65.4	963.0
	Nov.	658.2	86.5	227.1	103.9	1,075.7	726.7	82.6	202.3	108.0	1,119.6
	Dec.	598.2	86.0	203.5	108.1	995.8	809.7	90.3	190.5	78.0	1,168.5
Canada, Jan.-Dec. 1977		7,475.8	1,010.0	2,545.5	1,168.0	12,199.3	7,607.6	1,012.0	2,444.8	1,358.9	12,423.3
Unadjusted											
Newfoundland		76.1	1.4	19.2	9.9	106.6	54.1	10.7	52.2	11.1	128.1
Prince Edward Island		28.6	6.9	6.6	6.5	48.6	40.1	11.2	8.0	9.7	69.0
Nova Scotia		194.9	34.1	44.9	35.8	309.7	218.3	7.9	49.3	41.2	316.7
New Brunswick		133.8	14.1	62.0	41.4	251.3	105.1	6.4	44.5	22.2	178.2
Quebec		1,564.6	217.9	702.6	318.2	2,803.3	1,476.8	244.5	381.7	355.7	2,458.7
Ontario		2,563.4	473.5	685.8	351.6	4,074.3	2,606.2	443.7	711.7	415.1	4,176.7
Manitoba		257.6	35.4	101.6	38.0	432.6	262.0	25.6	66.4	45.2	399.2
Saskatchewan		312.5	19.4	109.1	75.4	516.4	333.2	19.7	125.1	61.5	539.5
Alberta		1,221.0	73.3	407.5	129.4	1,831.2	1,444.0	138.6	619.0	175.1	2,376.7
British Columbia		1,115.3	131.0	398.7	160.9	1,805.9	1,050.0	103.5	384.4	213.4	1,751.3
Northwest Territories		8.0	3.0	7.5	.9	19.4	17.8	.2	2.5	8.7	29.2

Building Permits, December 1977 — Advance Information

The seasonally-adjusted value of permits issued by Canadian municipalities reached a total of \$1,168 million in December, a figure 4.4% higher than in November (\$1,120 million). This level, the highest ever reached, reflected buoyant residential permit activity in Western Canada. In December 1976, the value of all permits issued was \$996 million.

During December 1977, permits issued for construction of single-detached homes levelled off at a seasonally-adjusted figure of 8,514 (8,601 in November) while the number of authorized multiple dwellings rose to 17,323 units, a substantial increase over the 14,744 units approved in November. All told, the value of residential permits reached an all-time record of \$810 million (\$727 million in November).

Non-residential permits showed further signs of weakness in December and dropped 8.7% to \$359 million from \$393 million in November; a moderate increase in new industrial building projects (to \$90 million from \$83 million) was more than offset by decreases in the commercial sector (to \$190 million from \$202 million) and the public sector (to \$78 million from \$108 million).

The year 1977 closed with a 1.8% increase in the current dollar value of permits issued, which totalled \$12,423 million compared to \$12,200 million in 1976. Moderate increases occurred in the housing and institutional sectors which both benefitted from government assistance, while the private business sector remained weak throughout the year.

Regionally, only Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island and Alberta experienced actual increased building permit activity during 1977. In the other provinces, moderate increases in the value of new construction authorized were offset by price changes (Nova Scotia, Ontario, Saskatchewan), or there were

effective drops in the value of permits issued (New Brunswick, Quebec, Manitoba, British Columbia).

For further information, order the December issue of *Building Permits* (64-001, 70¢/\$7), or contact J.P. Delisle (613-994-9312), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Hat and Cap Industry, 1976 — Advance Information

The hat and cap industry shipped \$24.2 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 0.7% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 7.7% to \$17.8 million, the number of employees decreased 3.5% to 1,242 and total salaries and wages increased 4.4% to \$10.0 million.

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Clothing Industries, 1976* (34-218, 70¢).

Foundation Garment Industry, 1976 — Advance Information

The foundation garment industry shipped \$74.2 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 7.8% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 9.9% to \$56.4 million, the number of employees decreased 3.0% to 3,730 and total salaries and wages increased 10.6% to \$32.9 million.

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Foundation Garment Industry, 1976* (34-212, 70¢).

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December 1977

	Number of Dwelling Units			Value of Residential and Non-Residential Construction				
	Singles	Multiples	Total	Residen- tial (\$000)	Indus- trial	Commer- cial	Institu- tional and govern- mental	Total
Newfoundland	31	112	143	3,817	2,351	25,661	98	31,927
Prince Edward Island	16	59	75	2,000	197	127	100	2,424
Nova Scotia	179	313	492	12,864	155	2,005	1,473	16,497
New Brunswick	55	85	140	3,409	61	7,543	1,456	12,469
Quebec	671	1,681	2,352	55,180	26,035	16,373	21,696	119,284
Ontario	1,013	3,960	4,973	139,539	26,623	57,666	27,282	251,110
Manitoba	152	1,026	1,178	26,855	1,042	2,865	2,369	33,131
Saskatchewan	197	1,043	1,240	37,553	315	12,932	10,417	51,217
Alberta	1,548	3,764	5,312	151,554	4,035	52,057	12,286	219,932
British Columbia	720	1,982	2,702	74,788	5,122	23,253	6,314	109,477
Yukon	5	—	5	224	—	12	6	242
Northwest Territories	2	—	2	184	—	3	—	187
Canada — Unadjusted	4,589	14,025	18,614	497,967	65,936	200,497	83,497	847,897
Canada — Adjusted	8,514	17,323	25,837	809,663	90,261	190,534	78,020	1,168,478
Metropolitan Areas	2,845	10,293	13,138	355,372	49,511	148,354	64,032	617,269
Calgary	428	1,179	1,607	44,008	31	17,130	2,500	63,669
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	13	121	134	3,233	2,205	430	397	6,265
Edmonton	510	974	1,484	47,466	2,154	18,354	2,036	70,010
Halifax	91	285	376	10,039	10	793	1,021	11,863
Hamilton	74	145	219	6,275	13,953	4,087	1,206	25,521
Hull	4	4	8	288	26	1,222	28	1,564
Kitchener	55	78	133	4,532	425	5,483	2,477	12,917
London	245	122	367	9,895	499	2,312	100	12,806
Montreal	278	850	1,128	25,908	19,896	9,252	10,196	65,252
Ottawa	20	322	342	9,247	114	1,569	8,576	19,506
Quebec	117	460	577	12,989	37	1,361	5,900	20,287
Regina	40	151	191	5,474	—	9,118	8,924	23,516
St. Catharines-Niagara	50	184	234	5,448	859	608	1,480	8,395
Saint John	6	—	6	241	30	3,838	—	4,109
St. John's	10	96	106	2,699	139	19,080	60	21,978
Saskatoon	55	635	690	13,402	24	449	8	13,883
Sudbury	3	—	3	131	90	307	1,185	1,713
Thunder Bay	5	116	121	2,752	254	378	92	3,476
Toronto	187	2,330	2,517	71,975	5,441	28,553	10,508	116,477
Vancouver	430	1,034	1,464	42,113	1,687	15,195	2,038	61,033
Victoria	49	271	320	10,819	53	2,945	2,729	16,546
Windsor	47	—	47	2,201	555	3,227	202	6,185
Winnipeg	128	936	1,064	24,237	1,029	2,663	2,369	30,298

*Preliminary figures.*For further information order *Building Permits, December 1977* (64-001, 70¢/\$7).

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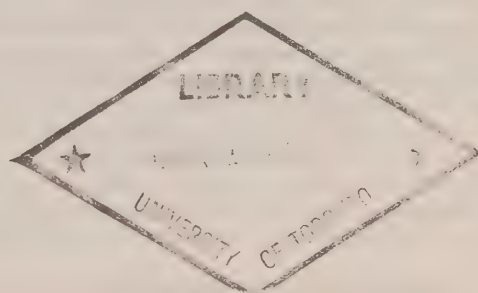
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Ophthalmic Goods Manufacturers, 1976 — Advance Information

The ophthalmic goods manufacturing industry shipped \$84.6 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 9.8% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 14.2% to \$40.9 million, the number of employees increased 2.2% to 3,841 and total salaries and wages increased 12.9% to \$35.1 million.

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Scientific and Professional Equipment Industries, 1976* (47-206, \$1.05).

Cotton and Jute Bags Manufacturers, 1976 — Advance Information

Cotton and jute bags manufacturers shipped \$30.6 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, down 1.6% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 7.4% to \$11.4 million, the number of employees decreased 5.0% to 681 and total salaries and wages increased 8.8% to \$6.1 million.

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Canvas Products and Cotton and Jute Bags Industries, 1976* (34-202, 70¢).

Toys and Games Manufacturers, 1976 — Advance Information

The toys and games manufacturing industries shipped \$158.4 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 19.9% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 23.6% to \$80.2 million, the number of employees increased 3.0% to 3,792 and total salaries and wages increased 12.7% to \$34.1 million.

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Sporting Goods and Toy Industries, 1976* (47-204, 70¢).

Salt, January 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian shipments of salt and salt content of brine increased to 743,752 short tons in January from 707,593 short tons in January 1977.

For further information, order the January issue of *Salt* (26-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Non-Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes

January 1978 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Jan. 1977	% Change	
				Jan./78 Dec./77	Jan./78 Jan./77
Total Index	184.2	183.5	172.7	0.4	6.7
Materials	169.2	168.3	160.4	0.5	5.5
Steel and Metal Work	173.7	172.7	171.3	0.6	1.4
Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning	156.0	156.3	147.1	-0.2	6.1
Electrical Equipment	157.5	157.7	153.6	-0.1	2.5
Concrete Products	192.0	189.0	179.7	1.6	6.8
Lumber and Lumber Products	194.6	191.5	166.1	1.6	17.2
Other	167.2	165.4	155.0	1.1	7.9
Labour	200.8	200.4	186.3	0.2	7.8

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mrs. G. John (613-994-5807), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Union Wage Rate Indexes including selected pay supplements are now available for January 1978.

Private Households by Number of Family Persons, For Canada and Provinces, 1976

	Total Private Households	Households by Number of Family Persons						Average Number of Family Persons Per Household
		0	2	3	4	5	6+	
Canada	7,166,095	1,532,150	1,915,975	1,177,590	1,280,660	697,275	562,450	2.8
%	100.0	21.4	26.7	16.4	17.9	9.7	7.8	
Newfoundland	131,665	13,010	26,355	23,645	25,605	17,065	25,990	3.8
%	100.0	9.9	20.0	18.0	19.4	13.0	19.7	
Prince Edward Island	32,930	6,005	8,240	5,455	5,400	3,455	4,375	3.1
%	100.0	18.2	25.0	16.6	16.4	10.5	13.3	
Nova Scotia	243,095	47,140	63,680	40,980	42,280	24,915	24,105	2.9
%	100.0	19.4	26.2	16.9	17.4	10.2	9.9	
New Brunswick	190,435	32,235	47,640	32,715	34,335	20,565	22,945	3.1
%	100.0	16.9	25.1	17.2	18.0	10.8	12.0	
Quebec	1,894,110	372,875	487,160	337,200	343,700	186,115	167,060	2.9
%	100.0	19.7	25.7	17.8	18.1	9.8	8.8	
Ontario	2,634,620	569,005	716,185	431,930	481,125	256,595	179,780	2.7
%	100.0	21.6	27.2	16.4	18.3	9.7	6.8	
Manitoba	328,005	79,145	91,275	50,155	53,765	29,965	23,695	2.6
%	100.0	24.1	27.8	15.3	16.4	9.1	7.2	
Saskatchewan	291,155	67,775	81,590	43,445	46,350	27,525	24,465	2.7
%	100.0	23.3	28.0	14.9	15.9	9.5	8.4	
Alberta	575,280	131,545	150,070	88,650	104,920	57,935	42,155	2.7
%	100.0	22.9	26.1	15.4	18.2	10.1	7.3	
British Columbia	828,285	209,775	240,630	120,870	140,315	71,465	45,235	2.5
%	100.0	25.3	29.1	14.6	16.9	8.6	5.5	
Yukon	6,495	1,640	1,550	1,015	1,130	630	530	2.7
%	100.0	25.3	23.9	15.6	17.4	9.7	8.2	
Northwest Territories	10,020	1,995	1,595	1,535	1,735	1,040	2,115	3.6
%	100.0	19.9	15.9	15.3	17.3	10.4	21.1	

Private Households by Number of Family Persons, Canada and Provinces, 1976*

Statistics in the accompanying table indicate that in 1976 the majority (78.6%) of the 7.2 million private households in Canada were households with family persons. Of these, about one-third were households with only two family persons, 20% with three family persons and another 23% with four family persons. The average number of family persons per household in Canada was 2.8 persons.

A census family by definition consists of a husband and wife (with or without children who have never married, regardless of age) or a lone parent, regardless of marital status, with one or more children (who have never married, regardless of age) living in the same dwelling.

Compared with the statistics for Canada as a whole, the Atlantic Provinces and the Northwest Territories had a higher percentage of households with five or more family persons. Statistics for the other provinces were similar to those for Canada.

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Further information along with more geographic detail will be published early this year in catalogue 93-807, bulletin 3-8. In the meantime, further information on private household counts by number of family persons for census divisions (counties, regional districts, regional municipalities, etc.) can be obtained by contacting the Census Information Services (613-996-5254), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T7.

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, January 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary statistics for January show that 1.1 million United States visitors entered Canada, down 7.3% from January 1977. Canadian residents returning from the U.S. numbered 2.2 million, a decrease of 3.3% from last year. Visitors entering Canada from countries other than U.S. totalled 40,200, up 1.4% from last year, while Canadian travellers returning from countries other than the U.S. declined by 2.2% to 189,600.

For further information, order the January issue of *International Travel — Advance Information* (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. M.W. Valiquette (613-995-0847), International Travel Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather, January 1978 — Advance Information

In January, packers, dealers and tanners held 271,860 cattle hides, down from 341,303 in January 1977. Cattle hide receipts increased to 198,943 from 181,730 and wettings increased to 175,600 from 160,052.

For further information, order the January issue of *Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather* (33-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Private Households by Number of Non-Family Persons, for Canada and Provinces, 1976

Area	Total Private Households	Households by Number of Non-Family Persons					Average Number of Non-Family Persons Per Household
		0	1	2	3	4	
Canada	7,166,095	5,100,900	1,649,825	320,110	63,900	31,360	0.4
%	100.0	71.2	23.0	4.5	0.9	0.4	
Newfoundland	131,665	99,670	24,415	5,445	1,330	805	0.3
%	100.0	75.8	18.5	4.1	1.0	0.6	
Prince Edward Island	32,930	23,665	7,100	1,620	375	170	0.4
%	100.0	71.9	21.6	4.9	1.1	0.5	
Nova Scotia	243,095	171,530	54,815	12,515	2,885	1,355	0.4
%	100.0	70.6	22.6	5.2	1.2	0.6	
New Brunswick	190,435	139,355	39,385	8,850	1,905	940	0.4
%	100.0	73.2	20.7	4.6	1.0	0.5	
Quebec	1,894,110	1,382,095	412,480	76,320	15,770	7,445	0.3
%	100.0	73.0	21.8	4.0	0.8	0.4	
Ontario	2,634,620	1,874,760	609,910	117,465	21,910	10,575	0.4
%	100.0	71.2	23.2	4.5	0.8	0.4	
Manitoba	328,005	227,270	80,800	15,195	3,070	1,665	0.4
%	100.0	69.3	24.6	4.6	0.9	0.5	
Saskatchewan	291,155	204,350	70,200	12,375	2,700	1,525	0.4
%	100.0	70.2	24.1	4.2	0.9	0.5	
Alberta	575,280	404,570	131,600	29,435	6,480	3,195	0.4
%	100.0	70.3	22.9	5.1	1.1	0.6	
British Columbia	828,285	562,770	215,020	39,815	7,170	3,510	0.4
%	100.0	67.9	26.0	4.8	0.9	0.4	
Yukon	6,495	4,210	1,640	435	140	65	0.5
%	100.0	64.8	25.2	6.7	2.2	1.0	
Northwest Territories	10,020	6,660	2,455	635	160	105	0.5
%	100.0	66.5	24.5	6.3	1.6	1.0	

Private Households by Number of Non-Family Persons, Canada and Provinces, 1976*

At the time of the 1976 Census slightly less than 30% of all private households in Canada were households with non-family persons. Of these, the overwhelming majority had only one non-family person in the household, and households with two or more non-family persons represented a small minority.

The percentage distribution of households by number of non-family persons in most provinces was similar to that of Canada as a whole. It may be noted, however, that British Columbia, the Yukon and the Northwest Territories had a higher percentage of households with non-family persons than elsewhere in Canada. Again, the majority of these households had one to two non-family persons.

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Oil Pipeline Transport, December 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian oil pipe lines received 2,820,100 barrels per day (448 142 m3D) of crude oil, condensate, pentanes plus and refined petroleum product in December, an increase of 0.2% from the 2,813,300 B/D (447 062 m3D) received a year earlier. Receipts of domestic petroleum and products decreased 0.4% to 2,488,500 B/D (395 448 m3D), while imported petroleum and products receipts increased 5.3% to 331,600 B/D (52 695 m3D).

For further information, order the December issue of *Oil Pipe Line Transport* (55-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Private Households by Marital Status of Head, for Canada and Provinces, 1976

	Total Private Households	Marital Status of Head			
		Married*	Widowed	Divorced	Single (Never Married)
Canada	7,166,095	5,419,745	745,645	222,625	778,085
%	100.0	75.6	10.4	3.1	10.9
Newfoundland	131,665	111,420	12,210	1,190	6,845
%	100.0	84.6	9.3	0.9	5.2
Prince Edward Island	32,930	25,325	4,235	470	2,895
%	100.0	76.9	12.9	1.4	8.8
Nova Scotia	243,095	184,335	30,020	6,090	22,655
%	100.0	75.8	12.4	2.5	9.3
New Brunswick	190,435	150,340	21,605	3,530	14,960
%	100.0	79.0	11.4	1.8	7.9
Quebec	1,894,110	1,443,705	183,505	50,295	216,605
%	100.0	76.2	9.7	2.7	11.4
Ontario	2,634,620	2,004,120	282,260	79,925	268,320
%	100.0	76.1	10.7	3.0	10.9
Manitoba	328,005	240,005	39,525	9,640	38,830
%	100.0	73.2	12.0	2.9	11.8
Saskatchewan	291,155	215,555	36,560	5,995	33,045
%	100.0	74.0	12.6	2.1	11.4
Alberta	575,280	426,950	50,025	25,735	72,570
%	100.0	74.2	8.7	4.5	12.6
British Columbia	828,285	605,525	84,820	39,275	98,665
%	100.0	73.1	10.2	4.7	11.9
Yukon	6,495	4,785	305	250	1,160
%	100.0	73.7	4.7	3.8	17.9
Northwest Territories	10,020	7,680	575	225	1,535
%	100.0	76.6	5.7	2.2	15.3

* Includes separated.

Private Households by Marital Status of Head, Canada and Provinces, 1976*

Data from the 1976 Census show that 75.6% of all household heads in Canada were married, 10.4% widowed, 3.1% divorced and 10.9% never married.

Compared with the statistics for Canada, the Atlantic Provinces had a lower percentage of household heads who were divorced or never married. In particular, Newfoundland's 0.9% divorced and 5.2% never-married household heads represent the lowest percentage for these categories among the provinces. By contrast, the percentage of never-married household heads was highest in the Yukon and the Northwest Territories (17.9% and 15.3%, respectively).

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Further information along with more geographic detail will be published early this year in catalogue 93-808, bulletin 3-9. In the meantime, further information on private households by marital status of head for census divisions (counties, regional districts, regional municipalities, etc.) can be obtained by contacting the Census Information Services (613-996-5254), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T7.

Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes, January 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 5,003,099 phonograph records in January, up from 4,298,592 in January 1977. Production of pre-recorded tapes (8-track cartridges and cassettes only) increased to 934,654 from 809,734.

For further information, order the January issue of *Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes In Canada* (47-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production of Tea and Coffee, Fourth Quarter 1977 — Advance Information

During the December quarter, production of roasted coffee was 32,708,000 lbs. (14 837 metric tonnes) compared to 31,821,000 lbs. (14 434 metric tonnes) in October-December 1976. Production of instant coffee was (x lbs.) (x metric tonnes) compared to 4,432,000 lbs. (2 010 metric tonnes) in the 1976 period. Production of tea was 9,838,000 lbs. (4 463 metric tonnes) compared to 11,645,000 lbs. (5 282 metric tonnes).

x Confidential to meet secrecy requirements of the Statistics Act.

For further information, order the December issue of *Miscellaneous Food Preparations* (32-018, 35¢/\$1.40), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Private Households by Age of Head, for Canada and Provinces, 1976

	Total Private Households	Age of Head					
		Under 25 years	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65 years and over
Canada	7,166,095	584,270	1,678,965	1,339,420	1,305,650	1,079,005	1,178,775
%	100.0	8.2	23.4	18.7	18.2	15.1	16.4
Newfoundland	131,665	9,670	33,550	25,095	23,030	21,230	19,095
%	100.0	7.3	25.5	19.1	17.5	16.1	14.5
Prince Edward Island	32,925	2,170	6,870	5,515	5,235	5,590	7,550
%	100.0	6.6	20.9	16.8	15.9	17.0	22.9
Nova Scotia	243,095	18,490	53,970	41,700	40,335	40,865	47,740
%	100.0	7.6	22.2	17.2	16.6	16.8	19.6
New Brunswick	190,435	15,350	44,210	32,530	32,135	30,830	35,380
%	100.0	8.1	23.2	17.1	16.9	16.2	18.6
Quebec	1,894,115	141,565	472,890	373,990	357,530	281,620	266,515
%	100.0	7.5	25.0	19.7	18.9	14.9	14.1
Ontario	2,634,620	199,280	607,725	501,150	497,050	391,675	437,750
%	100.0	7.6	23.1	19.0	18.9	14.9	16.6
Manitoba	328,000	29,945	70,000	53,160	55,100	53,245	66,550
%	100.0	9.1	21.3	16.2	16.8	16.2	20.3
Saskatchewan	291,155	28,170	52,840	44,890	49,695	49,945	65,610
%	100.0	9.7	18.2	15.4	17.1	17.2	22.5
Alberta	575,280	66,205	141,580	108,405	98,575	76,685	83,830
%	100.0	11.5	24.6	18.8	17.1	13.3	14.6
British Columbia	828,290	71,410	189,765	149,280	144,360	125,770	147,705
%	100.0	8.6	22.9	18.0	17.4	15.2	17.8
Yukon	6,495	800	2,205	1,415	1,060	635	375
%	100.0	12.3	33.9	21.8	16.3	9.8	5.8
Northwest Territories	10,020	1,220	3,355	2,295	1,550	925	670
%	100.0	12.2	33.5	22.9	15.5	9.2	6.7

Private Households by Age of Head, Canada and Provinces, 1976*

Data from the 1976 Census indicate that less than 10% of the heads of households in Canada were under 25 years of age. The majority (75.4%) of household heads reported ages between 25 years and 64 years, and 16.4% were 65 years or over.

By and large, a similar percentage distribution of household heads by age can be seen in the provinces. However, some provincial variations were noted. The percentage of household heads under 25 years of age in the Yukon (12.3%) and the Northwest Territories (12.2%) was higher than elsewhere in Canada, but the percentage in the age group 55 years and over was much lower than in the other provinces. For the 65 years and over age group, the highest percentages were reported in Prince Edward Island (22.9%), Saskatchewan (22.5%) and Manitoba (20.3%).

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Steel Ingots, Week Ended March 4, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended March 4 was 292,113 short tons (265 000 t), a decrease of 7.0% from the preceding week's total of 314,241 short tons (285 075 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was 292,642 short tons (265 480 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 159.4 in the current week, 171.5 a week earlier and 159.7 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Key Economic Series (Date Change)

Release of advance data from *Unemployment Insurance Statistics*, month of January 1978, is now scheduled to appear in the Daily Bulletin during the period March 28 to March 31, 1978.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending February 21

	Eastern* Division	Western* Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	2,494,475	2,098,251	4,592,726
Short tons, 1977	2,054,799	2,198,692	4,253,491
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 262 950	1 903 501	4 166 451
Metric tonnes, 1977	1 864 082	1 994 620	3 858 702
% change	21.4	-4.6	8.0
Cars, 1978	40,401	31,446	71,847
Cars, 1977	36,413	33,054	69,467
% change	11.0	-4.9	3.4
Piggyback traffic**:			
Short tons, 1978	184,003	57,579	241,582
Short tons, 1977	158,518	52,330	210,848
Metric tonnes, 1978	166 925	52 235	219 160
Metric tonnes, 1977	143 805	47 473	191 278
% change	18.1	10.0	14.6
Cars, 1978	5,370	2,357	7,727
Cars, 1977	4,867	2,307	7,174
% change	10.3	2.3	7.7
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	17,116,163	14,356,177	31,472,340
Short tons, 1977	15,152,996	14,523,362	29,676,358
Metric tonnes, 1978	15 527 522	13 023 705	28 551 227
Metric tonnes, 1977	13 746 567	13 175 372	26 921 939
% change	13.0	-1.2	6.1
Cars, 1978	272,652	217,892	490,544
Cars, 1977	253,448	221,928	475,376
% change	7.6	-1.8	3.2
Piggyback traffic**:			
Short tons, 1978	1,171,761	413,460	1,585,221
Short tons, 1977	1,088,556	387,541	1,476,097
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 063 004	375 085	1 438 089
Metric tonnes, 1977	987 521	351 571	1 339 092
% change	7.6	6.7	7.4
Cars, 1978	34,517	16,698	51,215
Cars, 1977	32,644	16,724	49,368
% change	5.7	-0.2	3.7

*The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

**Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

***All 1977 figures have been revised — 1978 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended February 21, 1978

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Canadian railways loaded 4.2 million t (4.6 million short tons) of revenue freight in the above-noted period, 8.0% more than during the same period of 1977. Traffic in the East was up 21.4%, while in the West a decline of 4.6% was recorded. The number of cars loaded totalled 71,847, a gain of 3.4% over 1977.

Trailer-container (piggyback) shipments rose 14.6%, increasing 18.1% in the East and 10.0% in the West.

Cumulative railway freight loadings in 1978-to-date were up 6.1% over 1977 and the carload count rose 3.2%. Piggyback traffic increased 3.7%.

For further information, contact Mr. J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Enrolments in French as a Second Language

Preliminary enrolments in French as a second language are available by level of education and province for the 1976-77 school year.

Please direct all inquiries to J. Seidle (613-995-9795), Elementary-Secondary Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Canada Year Book, 1976-77 (11-202E, Canada: \$12.50, Other Countries: \$15.00)

Industry Price Indexes, October 1977 (62-011, 55¢/\$5.50)

Year Book Special Edition

The *Canada Year Book 1976-77* (11-202E), a review of economic, social and political developments compiled by Statistics Canada, is ready for distribution in a special edition. The current issue is special because it covers information for two years and it bridges Canada's transition to the metric system of measurement from the imperial.

In every instance throughout the more than 1,100 pages of this edition text and table references to imperial measures are accompanied by metric equivalents. There is a special article on Canada's move to metric measurement and a table of conversion factors for weights and measures in the Canadian imperial and United States systems to the International System (SI) of metric measurement. A colour code differentiates at a glance between imperial and metric tables. Future editions of the book will carry metric measurements only for the many social and economic areas where conversion has been completed.

As well as the special metric aspects, the current volume covers two years of change and development in Canada in chapters devoted to agriculture, banking, culture, communications, education, energy, federal and provincial governments, health, housing, incomes, labour, manufacturing, merchandising, population, resources, scientific research and transportation. Appendices include such information as a summary of recent legislation, a chronology of Canadian events over two years, Canadian honours and a list of books about Canada.

Bound in hardcover and available in English or French editions, the book costs \$12.50 in Canada and \$15.00 in other countries. To order, send a cheque or money order payable to the Receiver-General for Canada to Publications Distribution, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6; or Printing and Publishing, Supply and Services Canada, Ottawa K1A 0S9. It is also available through selected booksellers.

Provincial Government Finance, Assets, Liabilities and Sources and Uses of Funds, 1975 — Advance Information

Financial assets of provincial and territorial governments as at March 31, 1976 amounted to \$28,658 million compared with \$24,380 million the previous year. The year-to-year increase was 17.5%. Liabilities increased \$5,940 million or 23.7%, reaching \$30,964 million from \$25,024 million a year earlier.

For further information, order the 1975 issue of *Provincial Government Finance, Assets, Liabilities and Sources and Uses of Funds* (68-209, \$2.10), or contact the Public Finance Division, Provincial Government Section, (613-995-0718), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Stoves and Ranges, January 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of electric stoves and ranges in January decreased 26.0% to 23,057 units from 29,045 in January 1977. Closing inventory of these products decreased 25.0% to 74,873 units from 93,582.

For further information, order the January issue of *Stoves and Furnaces* (41-005, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Industrial Chemicals, January 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers shipped 49,339,876 pounds (22 830 192 kg) of polyethylene-type synthetic resins in January compared to a revised 58,980,572 pounds (26 753 138 kg) in January 1977.

For further information, order the January issue of *Specified Chemicals* (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers, January 1978 — Advance Information

Producers' trade and industrial sales of paints, varnishes and lacquers totalled \$29,907,857 in January compared to a revised \$27,263,432 in January 1977.

For further information, order the January issue of *Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers* (46-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Asbestos, January 1978 — Advance Information

Producers' shipments of asbestos decreased to 96,009 short tons in January from 121,856 short tons in January 1977.

For further information, order the January issue of *Asbestos* (26-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons, (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Price Indexes of Electric Utility Construction, 1976 and 1977 Now Available in CANSIM

Final 1976 and preliminary 1977 indexes for the five Price Indexes of Electric Utility Construction (1971=100) are now available in CANSIM, matrix 118.

Summary indexes will appear in the March edition of *Construction Price Statistics*, 62-007, and in complete form in the second quarter publication of 62-008. For further details contact Mr. L. Swain (613-993-9387), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

March 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	Mar. 3/78 This week	Feb. 24/78 Week ago	Feb. 3/78 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	96.7	96.9	96.6
Industrials	85	89.5	90.0	90.6
Foods	9	103.1	103.0	98.9
Alcoholic beverages	5	82.6	81.8	79.8
Textiles and clothing	3	123.5	122.0	121.4
Pulp and paper	7	113.8	114.1	114.5
Printing and publishing	5	101.3	99.6	92.1
Primary metals	4	100.3	100.9	96.5
Industrial mines	6	60.8	61.8	63.7
Metal fabricating	9	158.2	157.4	171.2
Non-metallic minerals	4	96.0	96.4	99.5
Petroleum	8	97.3	98.1	99.9
Chemicals	5	106.8	106.5	101.9
Construction	5	268.9	270.5	271.9
Trade	15	78.1	78.9	79.9
Utilities and services	28	102.9	102.7	101.9
Transportation	6	126.4	126.7	125.1
Pipelines	5	88.9	89.0	89.4
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	107.9	106.8	106.1
Telephone	4	109.9	109.0	106.3
Electric power	3	137.3	135.3	132.1
Gas distribution	5	83.0	83.4	84.7
Finances	21	123.1	122.7	118.3
Banks	8	124.3	123.7	118.1
Investment and loan	9	116.6	116.8	115.9
Insurance	4	138.1	138.8	132.2
Mining Index	17	122.3	124.0	125.8
Gold	9	274.8	279.1	278.4
Base metals	8	49.1	49.7	52.7
Uranium	2	185.8	184.7	178.5
Primary oils and gas index	5	129.8	128.2	128.7

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Chemical and Mineral Process Plant Indexes, Third and Fourth Quarter

Third and fourth quarter 1977 revised figures for the Chemical and Mineral Process Plant indexes are now available. For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. R.J. Lowe (613-994-9387), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, January 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of automatic washing machines totalled 23,477 units in January, down from 27,283 in January 1977. Conventional washing machine sales were 4,210 units compared to 4,242 a year earlier. Canadian sales of electric clothes dryers were 22,353 units compared to 26,060 units a year earlier.

For further information, order the January 1978 issue of *Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers* (43-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, January 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of refrigerators in January totalled 30,196 compared to 32,765 a year earlier, and month-end stocks totalled 90,391 units, up from 83,214. Domestic sales of home and farm freezers decreased to 13,221 from 16,524 and month-end stocks decreased to 43,175 from 55,099.

For further information, order the January 1978 issue of *Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers* (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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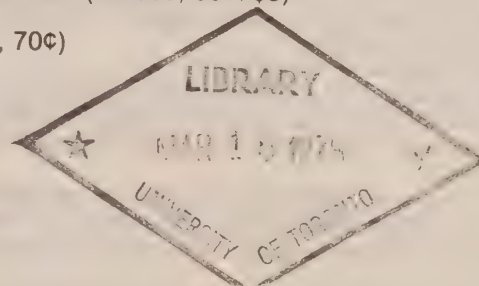
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- Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry, October 1977** (72-008, 40¢/\$4)
- Housing Starts and Completions, December 1977** (64-002, 55¢/\$5.50)
- Soaps and Synthetic Detergents, December 1977** (46-003, 30¢/\$3)
- Tobacco Products Industries, 1976** (32-225, 70¢)



Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments, Fourth Quarter 1977

In the fourth quarter of 1977, the seasonally-adjusted current account deficit fell to \$692 million from \$1,220 million in the previous quarter. There was an over-all balance of payments deficit, as measured by net official monetary movements of \$291 million. This, together with a net capital inflow of \$443 million financed a current account deficit, unadjusted for seasonal variations, of \$734 million.

The main quarterly movements were:

- A faster rise in seasonally-adjusted merchandise exports than imports which led to a \$528 million increase in the surplus on merchandise trade to \$1,154 million;
- Within the seasonally-adjusted non-merchandise data some easing in travel payments abroad but sharp increases in interest and dividend payments to non-residents;
- An \$800 million reduction in new Canadian security issues sold abroad to \$1,107 million — the lowest level since the third quarter of 1975, reflecting generally lower bond market financing by Canadian borrowers and a narrowing of long-term interest rate differentials between Canada and major capital markets abroad;
- A continued inflow of non-resident funds into Canadian money market instruments amounting to some \$221 million as hedged interest rate differentials, while narrowing slightly, were still attractive to non-residents, particularly United States investors;
- A reduction in the chartered banks' net foreign currency position with non-residents which led to a capital inflow of \$723 million, a swing of over \$1 billion from the previous quarter's outflow.

There was continued pressure on the Canadian dollar in foreign exchange markets which saw the Canadian dollar dip below 90¢ U.S. in October and again in November. To reduce speculative activity on foreign exchange markets, the Government announced in October the establishment of a line of credit for U.S. \$1.5 billion with the Canadian chartered banks.

Year 1977

For 1977 as a whole, there was a small increase in the current account deficit to \$4,238 million. Due to a \$1.9 billion reduction from the previous year in the net capital inflow to \$2,817 million, financing to meet the deficit was also required through a reduction in official reserves of \$1,421 million.

The main features in the year were:

- A virtual tripling of the merchandise trade surplus to \$2,907 million which was more than offset by a \$2.0 billion increase in the deficit on non-merchandise transactions;
- Within the non-merchandise account jumps of \$900 million and about \$500 million, respectively, in net payments of interest and dividends and on travel account;
- New Canadian issues sold abroad of \$5,778 million, down \$3.3 billion from the record 1976 level;
- A return to a net inflow for foreign long-term direct investment in Canada amounting to \$410 million;
- A net outflow of \$790 million for Canadian direct investment abroad, up over 40% from 1976;

- A twofold increase to \$532 million in the outflow to expand export credits granted directly or indirectly at risk of the Government of Canada;
- A sharp reduction to \$422 million in the net inflow from non-residents for the acquisition of Canadian money market instruments;
- An inflow of \$1,384 million as chartered banks reduced their net foreign currency position abroad, a turnaround of over \$2.3 billion from the outflow in 1976;
- A doubling of the net outflow to \$497 million for the acquisition of non-bank holdings of short-term funds abroad;
- A decline of U.S. \$1,236 million in the level of official international reserves to U.S. \$4,607 million at the end of the year;
- A depreciation of the Canadian dollar vis-à-vis the United States dollar and a weighted average of the currencies of Canada's major trading partners of 7.8% and 9.4%, respectively, as the Canadian dollar fell even more sharply against overseas currencies than against the United States dollar.

For further information, contact Mr. D.K. McAlister (613-995-0743), Balance of Payments Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. The main tables can be obtained, in machine-readable form, from the CAN-SIM base.

New Motor Vehicle Sales, January 1978 — Advance Information

New motor vehicles sold in January totalled 84,357 units, down 10.0% from a year earlier. This included 49,639 passenger cars (down 16.7%) 23,578 commercial vehicles (down 3.6%) manufactured in Canada and the U.S., and 10,306 passenger cars (up 16.6%) and 834 commercial vehicles (down 6.1%) manufactured overseas.

Total sales value decreased 3.8% to \$575.8 million. Canadian and U.S. passenger cars sold for \$318.7 million (down 12.2%) and commercial vehicles for \$198.5 million (up 5.0%). Sales of passenger cars from overseas increased 28.1% to \$54.1 million and those of commercial vehicles increased 8.0% to \$4.6 million. Included in total commercial vehicles sold were 224 units of coaches and buses valued at \$5.6 million.

Seasonally-adjusted January sales of passenger cars manufactured in Canada and the U.S. increased 11.3% from December to 63,944 units and those of passenger cars from overseas decreased 15.4% to 16,049 units. Similarly-adjusted sales of all commercial vehicles were up 1.9% to 29,561 units.

For further information, order the January issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, 30¢/\$3), or contact T.R. Wright (613-996-9304), Retail Trade Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies, December 1977

Production of lumber in sawmills east of the Rockies increased in December 1977 to 493,538,000 feet board measure (1 164 623 m³) from revised 433,930,000 feet board measure (1 023 962 m³) in December 1976. Stocks on hand at the end of December 1976 totalled 920,310,000 feet board measure (2 171 688 m³).

For further information, order the December issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies* (35-002, 15¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, January 1978 — Advance Information

Sales of farm implements and equipment (including repair parts) for January 1978 were valued at \$60.8 million, a decrease of 4.0% below the January 1977 figure of \$63.4 million.

Repair parts for the same period had a value of \$11.3 million, compared with \$14.1 million in 1977.

For further information, order the January issue of *Farm Implements and Equipment Sales* (63-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Merchandising and Services Division (613-996-9307), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Sugar Sales, February 1978 — Advance Information

For February 1978, Canadian Sugar Refineries reported total sales of 71 915 581 kilograms (158,546,742lbs.) of all types of sugar, 69 191 860 kilograms (152,541,964lbs.) in domestic sales and 2 723 721 kilograms (6,004,778lbs.) in export sales.

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Oilseeds, January 1978 — Advance Information

Crushings of oilseeds for January, with oil and meal produced (all figures in thousands of bushels):

- Soybeans: crushings 148,965; oil 25,305; meal 116,324
- Rapeseed: crushings 115,420; oil 46,861; meal 67,100

For further information, order the January issue of *Oilseeds Review* (22-006, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact J.M. Huard, Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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 - Merchandising Inventories, December 1977** (63-014, 40¢/\$4)
 - Security Transactions With Non-residents, November 1977** (67-002, 40¢/\$4)
 - Agriculture, Manitoba, 1976 Census of Canada** (96-807, \$5.75)
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 - Salaries and Qualifications of Teachers, In Public Elementary and Secondary Schools, 1976-77** (81-202, \$1.05)
 - Profile Studies, The Occupational Composition of Canada's Labour Force, 1971 Census of Canada** (99-718, \$1.00)
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Coal and Coke Statistics, September 1977 (45-002, 40¢/\$4)

Electric Power Statistics, November 1977 (57-001, 30¢/\$3)

Railway Carloadings, January 1978 (52-001, 30¢/\$3)

Preliminary Homicide Statistics, 1976 and 1977

	Homicide Incidents				Offences						Total	
	Total Incidents				Murder		Manslaughter		Infanticide		Homicide	
	Homicide	Murders	Homicide	Murders	1976	1977	1976	1977	1976	1977	1976	1977
Newfoundland	6	7	4	6	4	6	—	1	2	—	6	7
Prince Edward Island	2	1	2	—	2	—	—	1	—	—	2	1
Nova Scotia	21	14	19	11	23	11	2	3	—	—	25	14
New Brunswick	14	17	11	12	11	13	3	25*	—	—	14	38
Quebec	183	182	174	176	196	195	8	8	1	1	205	204
Ontario	168	176	150	158	163	174	18	15	1	3	182	192
Manitoba	31	43	27	37	27	39	4	6	—	—	31	45
Saskatchewan	30	45	27	43	31	44	3	6	—	—	34	50
Alberta	68	66	67	59	62	61	5	7	1	1	68	69
British Columbia	82	83	78	74	85	81	4	7	—	—	89	88
Yukon	4	6	3	4	3	4	1	2	—	—	4	6
Northwest Territories	5	4	4	3	8	3	—	1	—	—	8	4
Canada	614	644	566	583	615	631	48	82	5	5	668	718
Rate Canada	2.67	2.77	2.44	2.50	2.67	2.71	0.21	0.36	N.A.	N.A.	2.89	3.08
Change in rate 1977/76		3.8		2.5		1.5		N.A.				6.6

* Includes one incident involving 21 persons killed in a prison fire.

Note: Rates are expressed per 100,000 population. The estimated population of Canada on July 1 was 23,025,400 in 1976 and 23,315,600 in 1977.

Being preliminary, these statistics are subject to revision.

Homicide/Murder, 1977 — Advance Information

Preliminary figures for homicide in 1977 indicate a small increase over 1976 in the rate of homicide incidents (3.8%); the rate of murder incidents increased 2.5%. Over the last three years, the number of homicide incidents dipped slightly from 633 in 1975 to 614 in 1976, then rose to 644 in 1977. Consequently, the 1977 homicide incident rate was unchanged from 1975.

During a homicide incident there may be more than one victim and each victim is counted as one offence. The rate of homicide offences in 1977 increased 6.6% over 1976 and was the same as the 1975 rate. The rate of murder offences (as one component of total homicides) increased by 1.5%.

Further information on this data may be obtained by telephoning: Dr. Paul Reed (613-995-0711), Assistant Director (Research), Justice Statistics Division.

Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, February 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for February 1978 was 1,255,542 short tons (1 139 009 t). Pig iron production was 886,045 short tons (803 806 t).

For further information, order the February issue of *Steel Ingots and Pig Iron* (41-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V3.

Department Store Sales by Region, January 1978

Department store sales totalled \$424.6 million in January, an increase of 2.7% from a year earlier. Sales were up in all regions bar Quebec.

Department store sales by regions for the latest month, with percentage gains over January 1977 in brackets:

- Ontario, \$159.0 million (2.3%)
- Quebec, \$79.9 million (-1.9%)
- British Columbia, \$68.6 million (3.4%)
- Alberta, \$58.2 million (7.3%)
- Atlantic Provinces, \$23.4 million (2.7%)
- Manitoba, \$24.0 million (7.4%)
- Saskatchewan, \$11.4 million (4.9%)

For further information, order the January issue of *Department Store Sales by Regions* (63-004, \$1.50 a year), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

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Office Furniture Manufacturers, 1976 Census of Manufactures — Advance Information

The manufacturers of office furniture shipped \$188.6 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 4.2% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 7.1% to \$103.3 million, the number of employees decreased 4.6% to 5,300, and total salaries and wages increased 6.6% to \$59.8 million.

For further information, contact G.L. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Office Furniture Manufacturers* (35-212, 70¢).

Rubber Products Industry, 1976 Census of Manufactures — Advance Information

The rubber products industry shipped \$1,200 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 20.9% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 15.3% to \$652.4 million, the number of employees increased 3.0% to 28,255, and total salaries and wages increased 14.3% to \$346.2 million.

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Rubber Products Industry* (33-206, 70¢).

Carpet, Mat and Rug Industry, 1976 Census of Manufactures — Advance Information

The carpet, mat and rug industry shipped \$383.6 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 7.7% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 14.6% to \$150.3 million, the number of employees decreased 2.4% to 7,060, and total salaries and wages increased 14.6% to \$73.1 million.

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *The Carpet, Mat and Rug Industry* (34-221, 70¢).

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Wineries, 1976 (32-207, 70¢)

Tobacco and Tobacco Products Statistics, October-December 1977 (32-014, 70¢/\$2.80)

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, February 1978 (32-012, 30¢/\$3)

Dairy Factory Production, January 1978 (32-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

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The Sugar Situation, January 1978 (32-013, 15¢/\$1.50)

Fruit and Vegetable Preparations, Quarter Ended December 31, 1977 (32-017, 35¢/\$1.40)

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Oil Burners and Oil-Fired Hot Water Heaters, January 1978 (41-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products, January 1978 (32-022, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 16, Pack of Processed Carrots, 1977

Commercial Failures, Fourth Quarter 1977 — Advance Information

According to preliminary figures, the total number of failures recorded under the provisions of the Bankruptcy and Winding-up Acts was 1,050 during the fourth quarter of 1977 compared with the total of 761 for the same quarter of 1976. The estimated total of the liabilities of bankrupt firms was \$128,967,461 compared with the total of \$132,227,619 recorded in October-December 1976.

For further information, order the fourth quarter issue of *Commercial Failures* (61-002, 70¢/\$2.80), or contact R.R. Rotor (613-996-6631), Financial Institutions Section, Business Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Provincial Government Employment, October-December 1977 — Advance Information

The general government services in Canada's provincial and territorial governments (excluding British Columbia) reported gross payrolls for the fourth quarter of 1977 of \$1,273.0 million, an increase of 2.1% over the \$1,245.7 million reported for the previous quarter of July-September 1977. The number of employees reported for the last pay period in December was 349,220, a decrease of 5.1% from the 367,038 reported for the same period in September 1977.

For further information, order the fourth quarter issue of *Provincial Government Employment* (72-007, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact Mrs. M. Roberts (613-995-0676), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Footwear Statistics, January 1978 — Advance Information

January production of footwear of all types decreased to 2,782,809 pairs from 3,241,336 pairs in January 1977.

For further information, order the January issue of *Footwear Statistics* (33-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber, January 1978 — Advance Information

January production of rubber increased to 46,173,000 lbs. (20 944 000 kg) compared with 41,783,000 lbs. (18 951 000 kg) in January 1977. Consumption of rubber increased to 54,239,000 lbs. (24 603 000 kg) compared with 53,567,000 lbs. (revised) (24 297 000 kg) for the same period last year.

For further information, order the January issue of *Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber* (33-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

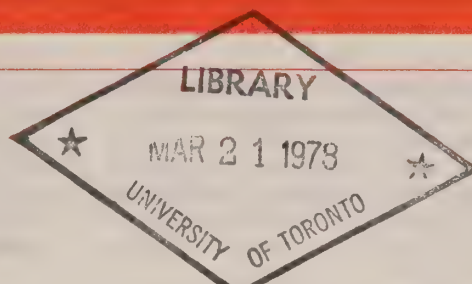
Television Receiving Sets, January 1978 — Advance Information

Manufacturers' domestic sales of "Made in Canada" colour television sets were 11,955 sets in January 1978. A year earlier, their sales were 25,458.

For further information, order the January issue of *Radio and Television Receiving Sets* (43-004, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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International Travel, January 1978 (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Cement, January 1978 (44-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Department Store Sales by Regions, January 1978 (63-004, \$1.50)

The Labour Force, February 1978

Statistics Canada estimates that for the week ending February 18, 1978, the seasonally-adjusted level of employment was 9,934,000, up by 68,000 from January 1978. The level increased in all major age-sex groups. For men and women 15-24, the levels were up by 24,000 and 9,000 respectively. The level for men 25 and over increased by 8,000 and, for women of the same age group, it rose by 27,000.

By province, the seasonally-adjusted employment level increased in Nova Scotia (4,000), Quebec (35,000), Manitoba (5,000), Alberta (6,000) and British Columbia (16,000). The level showed little change in the other provinces.

The seasonally-adjusted unemployment level was 901,000 in February, up by 10,000 from January. The level for women 25 and over increased by 8,000, and it showed little or no change in the other major age-sex groups. Provincially, the seasonally-adjusted unemployment level rose in Ontario (6,000) and Alberta (5,000), while it decreased in Quebec (9,000). In the remaining provinces, the level showed little or no change.

The seasonally-adjusted national unemployment rate was 8.3 in February, unchanged from January. For men 15-24, the rate decreased by 0.3 to 15.5 and, for women 15-24, it declined by 0.1 to 13.8. The rate for women 25 and over increased by 0.2 to 7.7. For men of the same age, the rate remained at 5.0. Provincially, the seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate increased by 0.7 to 13.4 in New Brunswick, by 0.1 to 7.0 in Ontario, by 0.3 to 6.5 in Manitoba and by 0.5 to 4.7 in Alberta. The rate decreased by 0.2 to 15.8 in Newfoundland, by 2.5 to 8.2 in Prince Edward Island, by 0.4 to 10.3 in Nova Scotia, by 0.5 to 10.9 in Quebec, by 0.3 to 5.1 in Saskatchewan and by 0.3 to 8.4 in British Columbia.

The seasonally-adjusted participation rate for Canada rose by 0.4 to 62.0 in February. This was the first increase since September 1977. The rate increased by 1.0 to 69.1 for men 15-24 and by 0.4 to 57.7 for women 15-24. The rate declined by 0.1 to 80.8 for men 25 and over, and it increased by 0.4 to 43.1 for women 25 and over.

The seasonally-adjusted national employment/population ratio was 56.8 in February, an increase of 0.3 from January. The ratio rose by 1.0 to 58.4 for men 15-24, by 0.3 to 49.7 for women 15-24 and by 0.4 to 39.8 for women 25 and over. For men 25 and over, the ratio remained at 76.8.

The unadjusted employment level was 9,577,000 in February, compared with 9,290,000 in February 1977. The unemployment level was 1,007,000 compared with

932,000 in February 1977. The unemployment rates were 9.5 and 9.1 respectively. The participation rate was 60.5 compared with 59.7 a year ago. The employment/population ratio was 54.8 versus 54.3 a year ago.

For further information, order the February issue of *The Labour Force* (71-001, 55¢/\$5.50).

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Retail Trade, January 1978 — Advance Information

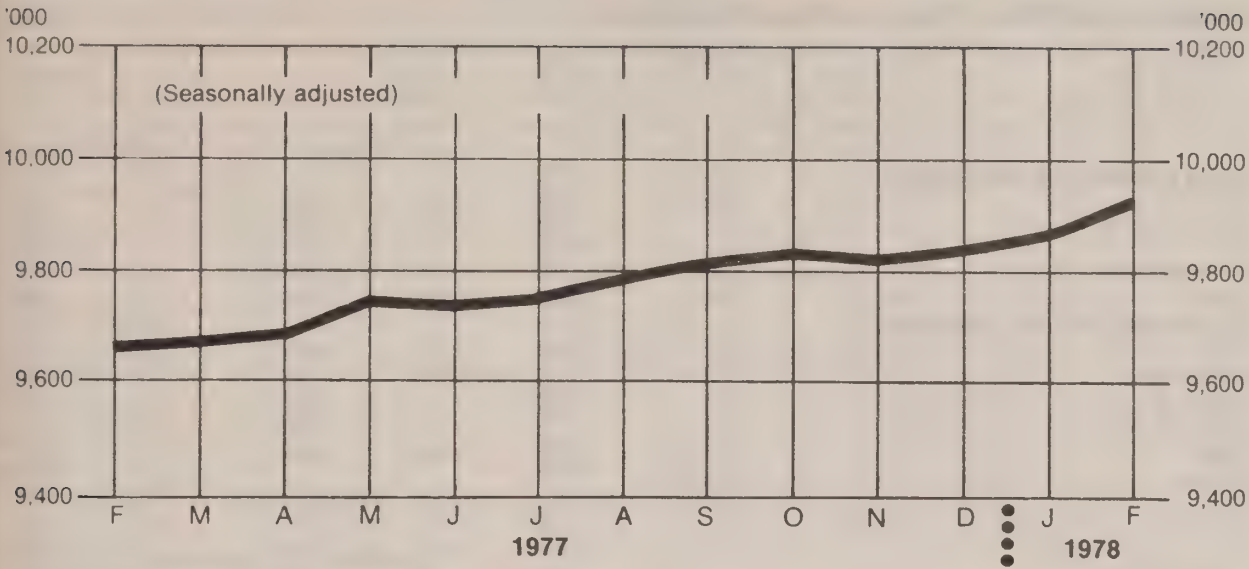
Seasonally-adjusted retail sales for January were \$5,537.4 million, an increase of 2.1% from the \$5,421.6 million recorded in December. Sales increased in 17 of the 28 trade groups. Household appliance stores (15.2%), grocery, confectionery and sundries stores (11.9%) and florists (11.3%) recorded the largest sales increases and general stores (7.9%) recorded the largest decrease. Eight provinces recorded increased sales over December, ranging from 10.8% for Newfoundland to 0.2% for Nova Scotia. The only decreases were in Ontario (0.3%) and New Brunswick (0.1%).

Total retail trade without seasonal adjustment reached \$4,487.9 million, an increase of 9.7% over January, 1977. Sales increased in 25 of the 28 trade groups. The largest gains were recorded by book and stationery stores (24.2%) and florists (23.3%). All provinces recorded increased sales over January, 1977, ranging from 16.9% for Alberta to 7.9% for Saskatchewan. Montreal sales rose 5.5%; Toronto, 11.1%; Winnipeg, 10.8%; and Vancouver, 12.4%.

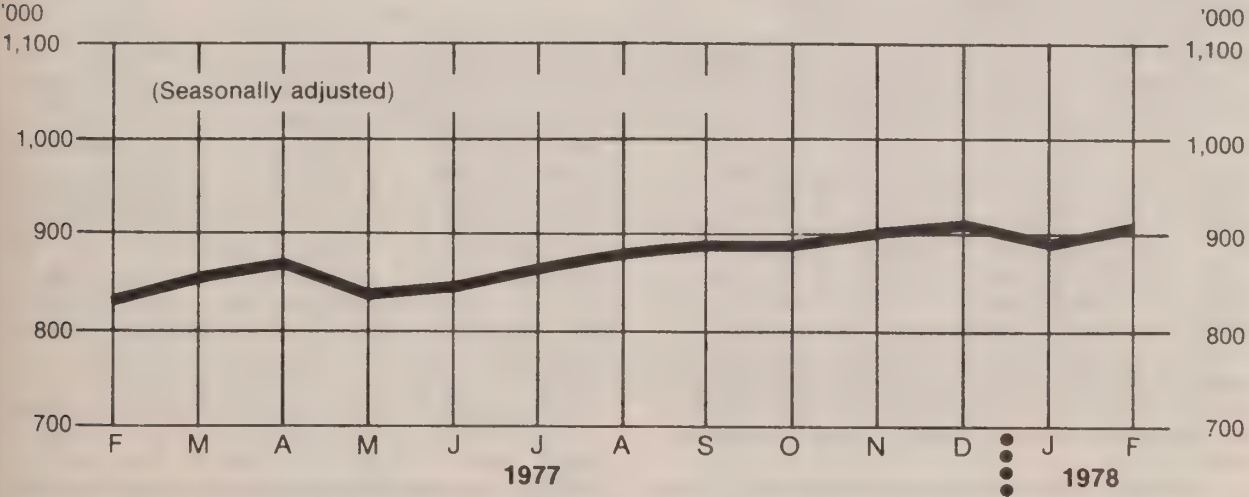
Revised total trade, unadjusted for seasonal influences for December 1977 was \$6,835.6 million, an increase of 8.3% from December 1976.

For further information, order the January issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact the Retail Trade Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Employment, Canada



Unemployment, Canada



Foreign Trade in Automotive Products, 1977 —

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Canadian exports of motor vehicles and parts (based on official United States statistics of imports) rose 25% in 1977 to \$9,861 million, following a larger relative gain of 33.5% in the preceding year. Larger shipments of passenger cars and trucks — up to \$5,996 million — accounted for over 60% of the overall increase. Domestic new-car sales in the United States, which advanced nearly 6% in 1977, were the highest since 1973. Sales of trucks also reached record levels. Exports of automotive components increased 26.5% to \$3,721 million. Tire exports declined 11.5% to \$144 million from the unusually high total of 1976, which was affected by the lengthy strike in the U.S. rubber industry.

After seasonal adjustment, exports of automotive products increased irregularly during 1977. Exports rebounded sharply in the first quarter from the effects of the Ford Motor Company strike in the latter part of 1976, followed by a slight rise in the second quarter. The value of shipments fell about 6% in the July-

September quarter, but recovered smartly in the final quarter to reach the highest level of 1977.

Following a rise of 13.5% in 1976, imports of motor vehicles and parts from the United States increased over 23% to \$10,948 million in 1977, topping the 10 billion dollar level for the first time. A 25% advance in automotive parts imports to \$6,847 million accounted for two-thirds of the total rise. Passenger car imports increased 21.5% to \$2,825 million, and imports of trucks and other commercial vehicles rose nearly 16% to \$1,123 million. Tire imports rose by a third of \$153 million in 1977, which was still below the 1975 total.

The course during 1977 of seasonally-adjusted imports of automotive products differed from that of exports in degree only. The strength of the increase in imports in the April-June quarter was much more pronounced; but the rise in imports in the final quarter was not as strong as that of exports. Over 70%,
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Canada-United States Trade in Automotive Products

	1975	1976	1977	Change 1976 to 1977
	(\$ millions)			
United States Imports from Canada*				
Cars	2,858	3,430	4,032	602
Trucks, etc.	932	1,344	1,964	620
Parts	2,045	2,942	3,721	779
Tires and tubes	68	163	144	-19
Total	5,903	7,879	9,861	1,982
Canadian Imports from United States				
Cars	2,184	2,321	2,825	504
Trucks, etc.	942	970	1,123	153
Parts	4,522	5,474	6,847	1,373
Tires and tubes	174	115	153	38
Total	7,822	8,880	10,948	2,068
Balance				
Cars	674	1,109	1,207	98
Trucks, etc.	-10	374	841	467
Parts	-2,477	-2,532	-3,126	-594
Tires and tubes	-106	48	-9	-57
Total	-1,919	-1,001	-1,087	-86
Excluded: retroactive adjustments to imported parts from U.S. for special tooling charges	110	43	—	

* A more accurate measurement of trade in automotive products is obtained by comparing the import statistics of each country. Accordingly, figures for Canadian exports are derived from the counterpart U.S. statistics of imports. For further information, see the technical note appended to the quarterly release printed in the *Daily Bulletin* of December 8, 1977.

accordingly, of the annual deficit analyzed below was concentrated in the six months of April-September.

The deficit in Canada-United States automotive trade increased 8.5% to \$1,087 million in 1977, following a 48% fall in the preceding year from the peak deficit of \$1,919 million in 1975. The continued expansion in the automotive components deficit — by 23.5% in 1977 to \$3,126 million — was in part offset by a 38% jump in the surplus on vehicles to \$2,048 million. A further contribution of \$57 million to the rise in the overall deficit was attributable to changing balances in the tire trade.

Following the stability in exports between 1975 and 1976, the value of overseas shipments rose more than 29% to \$795 million in 1977. Most of the increase was attributable to gains of 51.5% and 25%, respectively, in exports of passenger cars to \$333 million and of trucks to \$259 million. Larger shipments of knocked-down kits to Venezuela accounted for nearly three-fourths of the rise in passenger car exports. Automobile shipments to Iran and Kuwait were also moderately higher in 1977. Exports of trucks and off-highway vehicles increased to the U.S.S.R. and Venezuela.

Imports of motor vehicles and parts increased 11% to \$937 million in 1977, following a 20.5% expansion in the preceding year. About 60% of the latest increase originated in larger imports of passenger cars, rising 10% to \$531 million and of trucks, rising 20% to \$60 million. Besides a smaller increase in parts imports, a 39% jump in tire imports was recorded in 1977 — from the European Economic Community, Japan, Spain and Brazil.

Following an advance of nearly 10% in 1976, the number of passenger cars imported rose one per cent

to 754,200 units in 1977. Arrivals increased by about 2.5% to 584,200 cars from the United States and by 15% to 35,300 units from West Germany, but fell from the remaining sources. The United States share of Canadian imports rose from 76.2% in 1976 to 77.5% in 1977, which was still below the 1975 proportion of 81%. The West German share gained fractionally to 4.7%, while the proportion of Japanese cars fell slightly to 15.8%.

In comparison with a marginal rise in the unit value of imported cars in 1976, the average prices jumped nearly 18.5% in 1977. The value of representative foreign currencies had depreciated close to 8% on the average against the Canadian dollar in 1976; but, in contrast, appreciated by 9% in 1977. The average prices of imported cars were also influenced by the introduction of new car lines, basic price increases, and the changing import mix during the two years.

For further information, contact H.W. Iwasaki (613-992-2663), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

(see tables on next page)

Canada-Overseas Countries Trade in Automotive Products

	1975	1976	1977	Change 1976 to 1977
	(\$ millions)			
Canadian exports				
Cars	163	220	333	113
Other motor vehicles	258	207	259	52
Parts	180	171	186	15
Tires and tubes	5	7	7	—
Re-exports	10	10	10	—
Total	616	615	795	180
Canadian imports				
Cars	365	482	531	49
Other motor vehicles	45	50	60	10
Parts	206	231	236	5
Tires and tubes	82	79	110	31
Total	698	842	937	95
Balance	-82	-227	-142	85

Canadian Passenger Car Imports

	1976		1977			Change Between Years	Exchange Rate*
	Units (000)	Share %	Units (000)	Share %	Volume %	Average Price %	%
United States	568.7	76.2	584.2	77.5	2.7	18.5	7.8
Japan	120.0	16.1	119.3	15.8	-0.6	13.9	19.6
West Germany	30.6	4.1	35.3	4.7	15.1	18.0	17.0
United Kingdom	13.1	1.8	5.3	0.7	-59.6	44.5	4.3
France	7.8	1.0	7.4	1.0	-4.4	14.2	4.7
Italy	2.7	0.4	1.7	0.2	-36.4	9.5	—
Other Countries	3.3	0.4	1.0	0.1	-70.7	13.8	—
All Countries	746.2	100.0	754.2	100.0	1.1	18.4	9.1

* Minus (-) sign indicates depreciation of the value of the currency of the country against the Canadian dollar. Rate for all countries is the rate against the Canadian dollar of the SDR, a weighted average of sixteen major world currencies calculated by the International Monetary Fund.

Oils and Fats — Manufacturers' Sales

January 1978 — Advance Information

	Margarine		Shortening*		Salad Oil	
	'000 lbs.	metric tonnes	'000 lbs.	metric tonnes	'000 lbs.	metric tonnes
Retail Sales						
1978	21,743	9 862	3,564	1 617	6,686	3 033
1977	20,122	9 127	4,703	2 133	7,076	3 210
Commercial Sales						
1978	1,718	779	10,418	4 725	1,517	688
1977	1,865	846	9,333	4 234	1,333	605
Bulk sales to packagers or bottlers						
1978	16,340	7 412	2,624	1 190	6,886	3 124
1977	14,244	6 461	1,500	680	4,624	2 098
Bulk sales to other than packagers or bottlers						
1978	—	—	10,231	4 641	2,703	1 226
1977	—	—	11,776	5 342	2,128	965

* Includes baking and frying oils and fats.

For further information, order the January issue of *Oils and Fats* (32-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. T. P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Private and Public Investment in Canada, Outlook 1978, (Cat. 61-205) — Advance Information

(In *The Daily* of February 24, 1978, advance estimates of capital expenditures in Canada for 1978, 1977 and 1976 were released as national totals. Following that release, detailed estimates for the provinces and territories were compiled with inclusion of further survey response and subsequent information which resulted in some revisions to the amounts shown on February 24. All amounts are in current dollars without any adjustment for price changes. Detailed estimates for each of the provinces and nationally are available on the CANSIM data bank at the time of this release along with further provincial and national breakdowns of investment split between the private and public categories. Estimates for non-capitalized repair expenditures are also included on CANSIM).

The new total of capital expenditures during 1978 in the Canadian economy is now estimated at \$48,983 million, 5.4% higher than the \$46,491 million in 1977. The increase of 1977 over 1976 is now estimated to have been 6.5% over the \$43,636 million in 1976. These recent changes resulted in large part from some downward revisions for 1977 capital outlays of manufacturing, utilities and of finance.

Capital expenditures for total construction are now expected to reach \$31,913 million in 1978, \$30,270 million in 1977 and \$28,144 million in 1976. These levels represent an increase of 5.4% of 1978 over 1977 and 7.6% of 1977 over 1976. Totals for the non-residential portion are estimated at \$20,569 for 1978 (6.4%), \$19,338 million for 1977 (11.8%) and \$17,292 million in 1976. Residential construction estimates are unchanged from the first release on February 24 where totals were shown at \$11,344 million, \$10,932 million and \$10,853 million for the same three years representing an increase of 3.8% in 1978 and 0.7% in 1977. The totals for machinery and equipment are \$17,070 million in 1978 (5.2%), \$16,221 million in 1977 (4.7%) and \$15,492 million in 1976.

The new totals for 1977 contribute to a slightly stronger position for total business spending in 1978 which is now expected to be 6.3% higher than in 1977 which in turn was 8.0% above 1976. Totals for the three years are \$30,147 million, \$28,356 million and \$26,252 million. The new totals of outlays for social capital of institutions and governments are shown at \$7,492 million for 1978 (4.0%), \$7,203 million for 1977 (10.3%) and \$6,532 million for 1976.

Total non-capitalized repair expenditures for existing structures and machinery are estimated at \$13,663 million in 1978, a level 8.7% higher than the \$12,564 million in 1977. Repairs to structures amount to \$5,953 million, 8.6% above the \$5,482 million last year; repairs to machinery and equipment, at \$7,710 million, are 8.9% higher than the \$7,082 million in 1977. Adding the repair activity to that of capital spending represents total potential construction activity of \$37,866 million, 5.9% above the 1977 level, and a machinery-related program of \$24,780 million that increases by 6.3% over last year.

The capital expenditures programs in the various provinces and territories are shown as follows in a comparison of 1978 with 1977 in current dollars: Newfoundland, 16.0%; New Brunswick 15.0%; British Columbia, 12.2%; Nova Scotia, 11.5%; Prince Edward

Summary by Sectors, Canada, 1976 to 1978¹

(Millions of dollars)

		Capital expenditures		
		Con- struc- tion	Machinery and equipment	Sub- total
Agriculture and fishing	1976	527.0	2,348.4	2,875.4
	1977	609.6	2,304.1	2,913.7
	1978	662.2	2,276.7	2,938.9
Forestry	1976	89.0	97.8	186.8
	1977	108.8	110.9	219.7
	1978	113.4	115.2	228.6
Mining, quarrying and oil wells	1976	2,356.9	1,084.0	3,440.9
	1977	2,872.3	1,163.0	4,035.3
	1978	2,949.6	823.8	3,773.4
Construction industry	1976	121.3	637.6	758.9
	1977	131.0	689.3	820.3
	1978	137.6	722.5	860.1
Manufacturing	1976	1,439.7	4,025.6	5,465.3
	1977	1,676.8	4,329.9	6,006.7
	1978	1,627.2	4,669.1	6,296.3
Utilities	1976	4,425.8	3,828.4	8,254.2
	1977	5,340.2	4,024.0	9,364.2
	1978	6,162.9	4,605.3	10,768.2
Trade, wholesale and retail	1976	385.9	742.5	1,128.4
	1977	366.7	706.9	1,073.6
	1978	370.8	727.6	1,098.4
Finance, insurance and real estate	1976	1,734.3	261.3	1,995.6
	1977	1,679.9	236.1	1,916.0
	1978	1,689.8	253.6	1,943.4
Commercial services	1976	604.1	1,541.9	2,146.0
	1977	322.7	1,683.7	2,006.4
	1978	330.3	1,909.6	2,239.9
Institutions	1976	1,167.8	317.3	1,485.1
	1977	1,173.7	316.0	1,489.7
	1978	1,251.6	300.1	1,551.7
Government departments	1976	4,439.7	607.4	5,047.1
	1977	5,056.6	656.8	5,713.4
	1978	5,274.0	666.7	5,940.7
Housing	1976	10,852.6	—	10,852.6
	1977	10,931.8	—	10,931.8
	1978	11,343.8	—	11,343.8
Total (items 1 to 12)	1976	28,144.1	15,492.2	43,636.3
	1977	30,270.1	16,220.7	46,490.8
	1978	31,913.2	17,070.2	48,983.4

¹ Actual expenditures, 1976, preliminary actual 1977, intentions 1978.

Island, 8.5%; Ontario, 4.4%; Quebec, 4.2%; Alberta, 3.4%; Saskatchewan, 2.5%; Yukon and Northwest Territories, 2.2%. The total for Manitoba decreased by 1.1%.

In the Atlantic Region, the following industry groups show the largest gains in 1978 capital outlays: in Newfoundland — primary industries (62.6%), institutions and governments (17.8%), housing (13.2%), utilities (9.5%); in Prince Edward Island — institutions and governments (19.0%), trade-finance-commercial (49.2%); in Nova Scotia — institutions and governments (24.5%), primary industries (29.9%), housing (8.6%), manufacturing (17.2%); in New Brunswick — utilities (27.9%), housing (18.3%), institutions and governments (8.8%), manufacturing (16.9%).

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Comparisons, Capital Expenditures

	1978 intentions with 1977 preliminary actual		1977 preliminary actual with 1976 actual	
	\$ millions	% change	\$ millions	% change
Agriculture and fishing	25.2	0.9	38.3	1.3
Forestry	8.9	4.0	32.9	17.6
Mining, quarrying and oil wells	-261.9	-6.5	594.4	17.3
Construction industry	39.8	4.9	61.4	8.1
Manufacturing	289.6	4.8	541.4	9.9
Utilities	1,404.0	15.0	1,110.0	13.4
Trade	24.8	2.3	-54.8	-4.9
Finance, insurance and real estate	27.4	1.4	-79.6	-4.0
Commercial services	233.5	11.6	-139.6	-6.5
Total Business	1,791.3	6.3	2,104.4	8.0
Institutions	62.0	4.2	4.6	0.3
Government departments	227.3	4.0	666.3	13.2
Social (excl. housing)	289.3	4.0	670.9	10.3
Housing (construction)	412.0	3.8	79.2	0.7
Total Capital	2,492.6	5.4	2,854.5	6.5
Other comparisons				
Total construction	1,643.1	5.4	2,126.0	7.6
Non-residential construction	1,231.1	6.4	2,046.8	11.8
Total machinery and equipment	849.5	5.2	728.5	4.7

The 4.2% increase in expected capital spending in 1978 in Quebec is lower than the 10.2% increase shown for 1977 in large part as a result of conclusion of some project work in the primary industries group in 1977 and a lower rate of spending for housing (-5.0%), trade-finance-commercial (-7.0%) and for institutions and governments (-1.6%) projected for 1978. These decreases were more than offset by higher spending in the utilities group (24.5%) and in manufacturing for chemicals (63.7%), products of petroleum and coal (58.4%), paper products (28.5%) and primary metals (23.0%). It should be noted that the decrease of 7.0% this year for the trade-finance-commercial group is smaller than the decrease of 24.3% for 1977 which reflected conclusion of work on installation for the 1976 Olympic Games.

In Ontario, the principal gains expected are from a higher rate of housing projected for this year (11.2%), from outlays in utilities (9.9%), and in the trade-finance-commercial group (11.2%). The 3.7% overall decrease for manufacturing reflects lower levels of expenditures for products of petroleum and coal (-48.2%), paper products (-32.3%) and chemical products (-13.2%). These decreases were partly offset by increases for textiles (51.7%), non-metallic mineral products (44.2%), food and beverages (21.5%), transportation equipment (15.8%) and electrical products (14.1%). Reductions in programs were also in evidence for the primary industries group (-5.1%) and for institutions and governments (-1.9%).

Capital spending in the Prairie Provinces show a decline for Manitoba largely because of a reduced program for utilities (-21.7%) even with some gains for institutions and governments (16.9%), for housing (7.7%), and for the trade-finance-commercial group (7.3%). In Saskatchewan, the largest increase is for primary industries (9.7%) followed by institutions and governments (9.3%). In contrast, decreases are expected to occur in manufacturing (-41.6%) and in the trade-finance-commercial group (-9.8%). The total for Alberta shows a decline for primary industries (-2.5%), housing (-4.5%) and for utilities (-7.0%). However, those reductions are more than offset by

higher levels for manufacturing (37.3%), institutions and governments (20.6%) and for the trade-finance-commercial group (17.9%).

In British Columbia, most sectors show increases except institutions and governments which are down by 1.2%. The increases are as follows: utilities (42.0%), primary industries (10.1%), housing (5.3%), trade-finance-commercial (3.6%) and manufacturing (0.6%). Gains in the Yukon and Northwest Territories are largely in utilities and in the trade-finance-commercial group with some decline shown for primary industries.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Duncan Lusick or Richard Landry (613-994-9546), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. The full publication, *Private and Public Investment in Canada, Outlook 1978*, (Catalogue No. 61-205), which contains the tables accompanying this advance release, is planned for issue in early April.

(see tables on pages 8 to 10)

Radio Air-Time Sales, November 1977 — Advance Information

Gross national AM and FM radio air-time sales were \$7.3 million in November, a decrease of 1.4% from \$7.4 million in November 1976. Agency and other commissions reduced gross national sales to \$6.2 million, down 1.6% from \$6.3 million the previous year. Net local air-time sales rose 3.1% to \$16.4 million in November from \$15.9 million a year earlier.

Gross radio air-time sales for 1977 were reported at \$246.8 million, compared with \$223.8 million for 1976, an increase of 10.3%. Net sales rose 10.1% to \$229.1 million from \$208.0 million the previous year.

For further information, order the November issue of *Radio Broadcasting* (56-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact P.T. Crosby (613-996-9274), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Private and Public Investment in Canada by Province

Actual 1976

(Millions of dollars)

		Capital Expenditures		
		Construction	Machinery and Equipment	Total Capital Expenditures
Newfoundland	Private	333.1	152.1	485.2
	Public	303.2	40.8	344.0
	Total	636.3	192.9	829.2
Prince Edward Island	Private	50.3	33.8	84.1
	Public	23.3	3.9	27.2
	Total	73.6	37.7	111.3
Nova Scotia	Private	420.7	229.4	650.1
	Public	307.9	83.3	391.2
	Total	728.6	312.7	1,041.3
New Brunswick	Private	414.6	259.4	674.0
	Public	351.8	150.9	502.7
	Total	766.4	410.3	1,176.7
Quebec	Private	3,872.8	2,300.6	6,173.4
	Public	2,873.3	766.3	3,639.6
	Total	6,746.1	3,066.9	9,813.0
Ontario	Private	5,971.4	4,262.1	10,233.5
	Public	2,398.6	1,316.1	3,714.7
	Total	8,370.0	5,578.2	13,948.2
Manitoba	Private	591.3	470.7	1,062.0
	Public	463.1	287.3	750.4
	Total	1,054.4	758.0	1,812.4
Saskatchewan	Private	730.3	730.4	1,460.7
	Public	466.7	252.4	719.1
	Total	1,197.0	982.8	2,179.8
Alberta	Private	3,743.2	2,071.8	5,815.0
	Public	815.4	372.1	1,187.5
	Total	4,558.6	2,443.9	7,002.5
British Columbia	Private	2,495.8	1,220.3	3,716.1
	Public	1,151.3	329.5	1,480.8
	Total	3,647.1	1,549.8	5,196.9
Northwest Territories and Yukon	Private	260.0	139.3	399.3
	Public	106.0	19.7	125.7
	Total	366.0	159.0	525.0
Canada	Private	18,883.5	11,869.9	30,753.4
	Public	9,260.6	3,622.3	12,882.9
	Total	28,144.1	15,492.2	43,636.3

Private and Public Investment in Canada by ProvincePreliminary Actual, 1977
(Millions of dollars)

		Capital Expenditures		Total Capital Expenditures
		Construction	Machinery and Equipment	
Newfoundland	Private	278.4	144.5	422.9
	Public	213.6	53.3	266.9
	Total	492.0	197.8	689.8
Prince Edward Island	Private	54.3	39.4	93.7
	Public	42.5	7.9	50.4
	Total	96.8	47.3	144.1
Nova Scotia	Private	376.5	220.9	597.4
	Public	333.4	92.5	425.9
	Total	709.9	313.4	1,023.3
New Brunswick	Private	348.3	222.0	570.3
	Public	405.8	133.9	539.7
	Total	754.1	355.9	1,110.0
Quebec	Private	3,843.4	2,345.6	6,189.0
	Public	3,503.8	1,121.0	4,624.8
	Total	7,347.2	3,466.6	10,813.8
Ontario	Private	6,103.3	4,670.9	10,774.2
	Public	2,516.0	1,256.9	3,772.9
	Total	8,619.3	5,927.8	14,547.1
Manitoba	Private	656.4	458.6	1,115.0
	Public	498.0	303.0	801.0
	Total	1,154.4	761.6	1,916.0
Saskatchewan	Private	820.5	667.7	1,488.2
	Public	502.1	275.0	777.1
	Total	1,322.6	942.7	2,265.3
Alberta	Private	4,537.8	2,012.0	6,549.8
	Public	971.9	346.5	1,318.4
	Total	5,509.7	2,358.5	7,868.2
British Columbia	Private	2,558.1	1,341.7	3,899.8
	Public	1,294.9	422.8	1,717.7
	Total	3,853.0	1,764.5	5,617.5
Northwest Territories and Yukon	Private	283.6	65.2	348.8
	Public	127.5	19.4	146.9
	Total	411.1	84.6	495.7
Canada	Private	19,860.6	12,188.5	32,049.1
	Public	10,409.5	4,032.2	14,441.7
	Total	30,270.1	16,220.7	46,490.8

Private and Public Investment in Canada by Province

Intentions, 1978

(Millions of dollars)

		Capital Expenditures		Total Capital Expenditures
		Construction	Machinery and Equipment	
Newfoundland	Private	291.9	189.5	481.4
	Public	266.0	52.6	318.6
	Total	557.9	242.1	800.0
Prince Edward Island	Private	61.5	35.3	96.8
	Public	49.4	10.1	59.5
	Total	110.9	45.4	156.3
Nova Scotia	Private	389.7	241.6	631.3
	Public	378.5	131.1	509.6
	Total	768.2	372.7	1,140.9
New Brunswick	Private	365.8	264.8	630.6
	Public	429.5	216.6	646.1
	Total	795.3	481.4	1,276.7
Quebec	Private	3,588.3	2,543.4	6,131.7
	Public	4,053.7	1,079.1	5,132.8
	Total	7,642.0	3,622.5	11,264.5
Ontario	Private	6,418.4	4,936.2	11,354.6
	Public	2,644.8	1,185.2	3,830.0
	Total	9,063.2	6,121.4	15,184.6
Manitoba	Private	726.8	460.6	1,187.4
	Public	476.7	231.2	707.9
	Total	1,203.5	691.8	1,895.3
Saskatchewan	Private	814.9	677.2	1,492.1
	Public	590.2	238.8	829.0
	Total	1,405.1	916.0	2,321.1
Alberta	Private	4,607.8	2,004.0	6,611.8
	Public	1,158.9	363.0	1,521.9
	Total	5,766.7	2,367.0	8,133.7
British Columbia	Private	2,806.7	1,652.9	4,459.6
	Public	1,407.5	436.6	1,844.1
	Total	4,214.2	2,089.5	6,303.7
Northwest Territories and Yukon	Private	269.5	99.4	368.9
	Public	116.7	21.0	137.7
	Total	386.2	120.4	506.6
Canada	Private	20,341.3	13,104.9	33,446.2
	Public	11,571.9	3,965.3	15,537.2
	Total	31,913.2	17,070.2	48,983.4

Index of Industrial Production

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	Oct.	1977 Nov.	Dec.	1978 Jan.	% Change
Index of Industrial Production	29.497	124.7	125.5	125.6	124.2	-1.1
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	109.0	112.2	111.6	105.7	-5.3
Metal mines	1.584	105.1	104.4	104.2	102.2	-1.9
Mineral fuels	1.492	106.0	119.6	119.9	107.1	-10.7
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)	.363	139.7	122.4	118.6	119.8	1.0
Manufacturing industries	22.862	124.5	124.4	124.5	123.1	-1.1
Food and beverage industries	3.254	116.7	115.9	116.5	117.0	0.4
Tobacco products industries	.212	120.5	122.5	122.7	118.2	-3.7
Rubber and plastics products industries	.650	166.3	154.8	157.7	152.8	-3.1
Leather industries	.206	90.1	89.6	87.0	87.1	0.1
Textile industries	.756	110.0	110.4	111.5	111.2	-0.3
Knitting mills	.205	92.1	90.2	89.8	89.2	-0.7
Clothing industries	.742	111.3	109.2	110.3	110.0	-0.3
Wood industries	.968	148.7	147.9	146.7	145.8	-0.6
Furniture and fixture industries	.420	102.6	102.6	104.0	103.5	-0.5
Paper and allied industries	1.878	117.2	118.3	118.1	116.4	-1.4
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	113.6	114.5	113.9	115.3	1.2
Primary metal industries	1.976	116.1	115.4	109.8	112.1	2.1
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.887	130.4	130.0	130.0	129.7	-0.2
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.008	140.7	139.2	138.8	139.0	0.1
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	136.6	140.5	144.1	134.1	-6.9
Electrical products industries	1.631	107.0	107.4	109.3	107.9	-1.3
Non-metallic mineral products industries	.905	132.8	130.7	131.5	124.7	-5.2
Petroleum and coal products industries	.394	125.3	131.2	129.2	133.2	3.1
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.363	149.6	149.0	148.0	150.8	1.9
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	.713	111.1	109.2	108.7	108.4	-0.3
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	147.8	153.2	154.3	156.1	2.5
Special industry groupings:						
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	121.5	120.8	120.9	120.9	—
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	127.6	128.0	128.1	125.3	-2.2

Index of Industrial Production, January 1978 — Advance Information

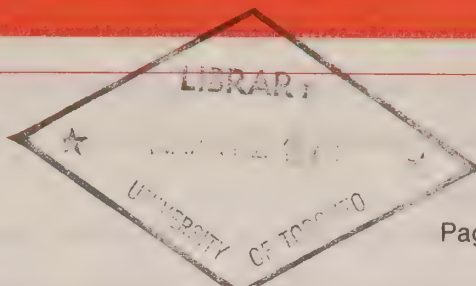
The seasonally-adjusted Index of Industrial Production decreased 1.1% in January to 124.2 from 125.6 in December. Mining and manufacturing declined while utilities increased during the month.

For further information, order the January issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (including the Index of Industrial Production)* (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Profile Studies, Labour Force Participation in Canada, 1971 Census of Canada (99-712, \$1)

Shipping Statistics, November 1977 (54-002, 30¢/\$3)

Stoves and Furnaces, January 1978 (41-005, 30¢/\$3)

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- Cordage and Twine Industry**, 1976 (34-203, 70¢)
- Distilleries**, 1976 (32-206, 70¢)
- Patient Movement**, 1977 (83-203P, N/C)
- Rigid Insulating Board**, January 1978 (36-002, 15¢/\$1.50)
- Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather**, January 1978 (33-001, 30¢/\$3)
- Steel Ingots and Pig Iron**, February 1978 (41-002, 15¢/\$1.50)
- Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers**, January 1978 (43-002, 15¢/\$1.50)
- Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers**, January 1978 (46-001, 15¢/\$1.50)
- Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers**, January 1978 (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50)
- Service Bulletin:**
- Science Statistics** (13-003, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 2, No. 2, International R&D Statistics

Consumer Price Index for Canada and Main Components
(1971=100)
(Not seasonally adjusted)

	Relative impor- tance(1)	Indexes			% Change		% Contribution to total change	
		1978		1977	February 1978 from		February 1978 from	
		Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan. 1978	Feb. 1977	Jan. 1978	Feb. 1977
All items	100	168.9	167.8	155.4	0.7	8.7	100	100
Food	27	194.3	193.0	171.4	0.7	13.4	29	41
All items excluding food	73	160.1	159.1	149.7	0.6	6.9	71	59
Housing	33	169.6	168.6	156.9	0.6	8.1	29	31
Clothing	9	145.3	144.1	136.4	0.8	6.5	12	7
Transportation	15	158.9	157.4	150.4	1.0	5.7	21	10
Health and personal care	4	161.4	160.3	150.7	0.7	7.1	5	3
Recreation, education and reading	6	145.7	145.6	139.7	0.1	4.3	1	3
Tobacco and alcohol	6	149.1	148.5	139.2	0.4	7.1	3	5
Purchasing power of the 1971 consumer dollar	—	0.59	0.60	0.64				
All-items Consumer Price Index converted to 1961=100		225.3						

(1) These rounded weights, provided as a general guide, show the relative importance of the major components of the CPI, on average, during the year 1977.

The Consumer Price Index, February 1978

The Consumer Price Index for Canada (1971=100) advanced 0.7% from 167.8 in January to 168.9 in February. As a result, the twelve-month rise between February 1977 and February 1978 stood at 8.7%, down from the 9.0% registered in the previous month. Higher Food prices, up 0.7% in the latest month, and increased Housing charges each accounted for three-tenths of this rise; higher Transportation charges were responsible for an additional one-fifth of the overall CPI advance. The increases in the latter two components were largely responsible for the 0.6% rise in the index for All-items excluding Food between January and February.

Higher prices for fresh fruit, pork products, fresh milk, butter, bread, certain fresh vegetables and soft drinks were largely responsible for the 0.7% rise in the Food Index. These increases were partially offset by lower prices for some beef cuts and for chicken. The

0.7% increase in the Food at Home index in February brought the index to a level 15.2% above its level of February 1977, down from the 17.0% registered in January.

Increased shelter charges for both owned and rented accommodation and higher prices for new automobiles were large contributing factors in the 0.6% rise in the index for All-items excluding Food. Other notable factors included increased automobile registration fees in three provinces and higher prices for many clothing items. Between February 1977 and February 1978, the index for All-items excluding Food advanced 6.9%.

Viewed in terms of goods and services, the price level of goods, including food, increased 0.6% in the latest month while that for services was up 0.7%. As a (continued)

Month-to-Month Percentage Changes in the Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted Consumer Price Index for Canada*

	All items		Food		All items excluding food	
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**
1975						
January	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.5
February	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.7
March	0.5	0.5	-0.4	-0.1	0.9	0.8
April	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6
May	0.8	0.7	1.1	0.6	0.7	0.7
June	1.5	1.2	3.2	2.9	0.8	0.7
July	1.4	1.2	2.3	1.4	1.0	1.1
August	1.0	0.8	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8
September	0.2	0.6	-0.7	0.1	0.7	0.8
October	0.9	1.1	0.4	1.1	1.1	1.1
November	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.8	1.0	0.8
December	0.1	0.3	-0.7	-0.4	0.5	0.7
1976						
January	0.6	0.6	-0.2	-0.1	0.8	0.7
February	0.3	0.2	-0.3	-0.7	0.7	0.7
March	0.4	0.4	-0.7	-0.4	0.8	0.7
April	0.4	0.5	-0.4	-0.2	0.7	0.7
May	0.8	0.7	1.5	0.9	0.6	0.7
June	0.5	0.2	0.2	-0.4	0.5	0.5
July	0.4	0.3	0.3	-0.5	0.6	0.6
August	0.5	0.3	-0.5	-0.5	0.8	0.6
September	0.5	0.8	-0.7	0.0	1.0	1.1
October	0.7	0.9	0.0	0.7	0.8	1.0
November	0.3	0.3	-0.2	0.0	0.5	0.5
December	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.3	0.3
1977						
January	0.9	0.8	1.2	1.4	0.7	0.7
February	0.9	0.8	2.0	1.5	0.5	0.4
March	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.2	1.0	1.1
April	0.6	0.7	1.0	1.2	0.5	0.5
May	0.8	0.6	1.4	0.7	0.5	0.5
June	0.7	0.5	1.1	0.6	0.6	0.6
July	0.9	0.7	2.1	1.2	0.4	0.5
August	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.2
September	0.6	0.9	0.2	1.0	0.7	1.0
October	1.0	1.1	1.4	2.0	0.8	0.8
November	0.7	0.7	0.8	1.1	0.6	0.4
December	0.7	0.9	1.6	2.0	0.3	0.5
1978						
January	0.4	0.3	0.8	0.9	0.2	0.1
February	0.7	0.5	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.6

* For some elaboration of methodology, see Appendix I(A) of *Consumer Prices and Price Indexes* (Catalogue 62-010).

** Seasonally adjusted data are revised annually using updated seasonal adjustment factors. For more information, refer to Appendix II, *Consumer Prices and Price Indexes* (Catalogue 62-010).

result between February 1977 and February 1978, the price level of goods increased 9.4% while that for services rose 7.4%.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, the All-Items Consumer Price Index advanced 0.5% between January and February: this included a 0.3% increase in the Food index and a 0.6% rise in the index for All-items excluding Food.

In February, the current annual rate of change in the CPI based on the seasonally-adjusted movement in the latest three-month period was 6.9%, down from the 7.7% rate calculated in the previous month.

For further information, order *The Consumer Price Index* (62-001, 30¢/\$3).

Wholesale Trade, January 1978 — Advance Information

Sales by wholesale merchants for January were estimated at \$4,166,960,000, representing a 13.7% increase compared with \$3,665,423,000 in January 1977. Wholesale inventories were valued at \$7,613,493,000, reflecting an increase of 6.7% from inventories of \$7,137,288,000 at the end of January last year.

Further details may be obtained from the monthly *Wholesale Trade Report* (63-008, 15¢/\$1.50).

Consumer Credit, January 1978 — Advance Information

Consumer credit outstanding on the books of selected credit holders reporting monthly was \$24,750 million at the end of January, 11.6% more than a year earlier. Outstanding balances of selected credit holders at the end of January 1978 with percentage change from a year earlier are as follows:

- Chartered banks' personal loans: \$18,801 million, up 15.2%.
- Quebec savings banks' personal loans: \$87 million, up 20.8%.
- Life insurance companies' policy loans: \$1,285 million, up 4.0%.
- Sales finance and consumer loan companies' loans: small \$202 million, down 12.2%; large \$1,445 million, down 3.2%; instalment sales paper \$1,069 million, down 4.8%.
- Department stores and furniture, TV, radio and household appliance stores: \$1,309 million, up 7.0%.
- Trust and mortgage loan companies' personal loans: \$368 million, up 26.5%.
- Credit holders reporting quarterly had combined outstanding balances of \$6,434 million at the end of the fourth quarter of 1977, up 15.0% from a year earlier. The largest such credit holders, credit unions and caisses populaires, reported balances outstanding of \$4,568 million, up 17.6%. (Also included in the quarterly total: other retail stores, other credit-card issuers and public utilities.)
- Including quarterly reporters, outstanding balances at the end of the fourth quarter of 1977 totalled \$31,234 million, up 12.6% from a year earlier.

For further information, order the January issue of *Consumer Credit* (61-004, 30¢/\$3), or contact Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Survey of Fitness, Physical Recreation and Sport, October 1976 — Advance Information

Estimates from the 1976 survey of fitness, physical recreation and sport show 50% of Canadians 14 years of age and over participated in sport or physical recreation activities while 59% participated in exercise activities.

Swimming was the sport or physical recreation activity most commonly reported — over 5.5 million persons went swimming at least once during the 12 months preceding the survey. Skating was the second most commonly reported activity — 2.9 million persons participating.

Among the exercise activities, walking was most often indicated — 6.9 million persons 14 years and over walked for exercise at least once during the month preceding the survey.

Summary findings on the socio-economic characteristics of exercise and sport participants, participation in selected activities by province and participation in favourite sports are presented in the *Education, Science and Culture Service Bulletin* (81-001, Vol. 7, No. 1). For further information, contact Janice Ife (613-995-9689), Travel Tourism and Recreation Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z5.

Mineral Production, January 1978 — Advance Information

January production of silver increased to 3,236,673 troy ounces from 3,119,831 in January 1977. Production of refined lead decreased to 15,955 short tons from 17,903. Refined zinc decreased to 37,824 short tons from 53,374. Primary copper decreased to 62,605 short tons from 79,174. Primary nickel decreased to 17,786 short tons from 24,196. Gold decreased to 134,207 troy ounces from 137,710.

For further information, order the January issue of *Silver, Lead and Zinc Production* (26-008, 15¢/\$1.50), or *Copper and Nickel Production* (26-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or *Gold Production* (26-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symon, Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Tobacco Products — Cigarettes and Cigars, February 1978 — Advance Information

Production of cigarettes for February 1978 amounted to 5.7 billion compared with 5.5 billion for the same period last year. Production of cigars for February 1978 amount to 43.7 million compared with 40.2 millions for the same period last year.

For further information, order the February 1978 issue of *Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products* (32-022, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Frozen Fruit and Vegetable Processors, 1976 — Advance Information

The frozen fruit and vegetable processing industry shipped \$241.0 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976 up 17.4% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 14.6% to \$90.6 million, the number of employees increased 8.9% to 4,259, and total salaries and wages increased 18.5% to \$36.9 million.

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Fruit and Vegetable Processing Industries* (32-218, 70¢).

Men's Clothing Contractors, 1976 — Advance Information

Men's clothing contractors shipped \$74.2 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976 up 13.9% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 14.4% to \$67.3 million, the number of employees increased 0.2% to 7,617, and total salaries and wages increased 12.7% to \$54.5 million.

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Men's Clothing Industries* (34-216, 70¢).

Additional Information

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Manufacturers of Electric Wire and Cable, 1976 — Advance Information

The manufacturers of electric wire and cable shipped \$648.7 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 0.4% from 1975. Total value added by the industry decreased 5.8% to \$219.4 million, the number of employees decreased 4.2% to 9,649 and total salaries and wages increased 6.9% to \$127.6 million.

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Electric Wire and Cable* (43-209, 70¢).

Hosiery Mills, 1976 — Advance Information

Hosiery mills shipped \$109.3 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 5.4% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 9.3% to \$59.6 million, the number of employees increased 0.4% to 4,882 and total salaries and wages increased 11.9% to \$38.2 million.

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Knitting Mills* (34-215, \$1.05).

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Industrial Corporation Financial Statistics (Final Data) — October/December 1977

Date of release for fourth quarter, Industrial Corporation Financial Statistics, has been revised. Data will now appear in *The Daily Bulletin* on a date yet to be confirmed between March 30 and April 10.

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The Labour Force, February 1978 (71-001, 55¢/\$5.50)

Canadian Statistical Review, February 1978 (11-003E, 70¢/\$7)

Agriculture, Ontario, 1976 Census of Canada (96-806, \$7)

Shares of Shipments*, Value Added** and Total Employees of the Manufacturing, Mining and Logging Industries Accounted for by the 100 Largest Enterprises, Ranked by Value Added**, 1974, 1972 and 1970.

Top Enterprises	Manufacturing Shipments*			Manufacturing Value Added**			Total Employees		
	1974	1972	1970	1974	1972	1970	1974	1972	1970
		%			%			%	
4	8.0	7.4	7.0	8.9	7.3	7.4	5.5	5.0	4.9
8	12.7	13.9	13.6	14.0	12.3	12.5	10.1	9.4	9.4
12	18.1	18.1	18.1	18.3	16.2	16.6	13.9	12.5	13.0
16	21.7	20.9	20.8	21.8	19.5	20.1	16.5	16.0	15.5
20	25.1	23.9	24.4	24.6	22.1	23.1	18.8	18.0	18.1
25	28.2	27.2	27.9	27.5	25.0	26.1	21.1	20.1	20.4
50	38.3	36.0	36.9	37.0	34.8	36.3	28.2	28.1	28.4
100	49.1	47.9	48.9	48.5	46.0	47.6	37.8	37.3	38.4

* Value of shipments of goods of own manufacture in manufacturing industries; value of mining production in mining industries and value of logging shipments in logging industries.
** Value added by manufacturing activity in manufacturing industries, by mining activity in mining industries and by logging activity in logging industries.

Industrial Concentration in Manufacturing, Mining and Logging Industries, 1974 — Advance Information
On average, industrial concentration declined slightly in manufacturing industries between 1972 and 1974 but rose slightly in mining industries.

A common measure of concentration is the "top four concentration ratio", that is, the share of an industry's manufacturing shipments (or mining production or logging shipments in mining or logging industries) accounted for by the leading four enterprises in an industry. When such concentration ratios are weighted by industry value added, the average level of concentration in the manufacturing industries was 47.77% in 1974, down from 48.34% in 1972. For sixteen mining industries which are comparably defined in both years, the weighted average top four concentration ratio was 79.56% in 1974 and 78.60% in 1972.

Distributions of these concentration ratios are presented in table 1 for the 171 manufacturing industries. In 22 industries the leading four enterprises accounted for 80% or more of industry shipments. Industries with concentration ratios of 90% or more in 1974 included: cane and beet sugar processors (92.0%), tobacco products manufacturers (97.7%), fibre and filament yarn manufacturers (93.8%), aluminum rolling, casting and extruding (91.3%), motor vehicle manufacturers (90.1%) and glass manufacturers (95.2%). Figures for the other four industries with concentration ratios this high are confidential.

Table 2 shows the top four concentration ratios for the fifty leading mining, manufacturing and logging industries, ranked in order of industry value added.

Many enterprises operate in more than one industry. Table 3 presents data on "aggregate concentration" obtained by grouping together all establishments under common control in the manufacturing, mining and logging industries, and ranking the resulting enterprises by value added. It can be seen that the share of mining production, and manufacturing and logging shipments accounted for by the largest four enterprises has increased from 7.0% in 1970 to 8.0% in

1974. The leading 100 enterprises accounted for 49.1% of shipments and 48.5% of value added in 1974 but only 37.8% of total employees.

Complete data will be published in *Industrial Organization and Concentration in the Mining, Manufacturing and Logging Industries, 1974* (31-402, price to be determined). For further information, contact Ken Young (613-992-7328), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Distribution of Manufacturing Industries by Percentage of Value of Manufacturing Shipments Accounted for by the Leading Four Enterprises in Each Industry, 1974 and 1972

Concentration Ratio (%)	Number of Industries	
	1974	1972
Under 10.0	3	3
10.0-19.9	15	17
20.0-29.9	17	17
30.0-39.9	28	26
40.0-49.9	25	25
50.0-59.9	25	20
60.0-69.9	16	22
70.0-79.9	20	20
80.0-89.9	12	12
90.0-99.9	10	9
100.0	—	—
Total Industries	171	171

(see table on next page)

Percentage of Value of Shipments of Goods of Own Manufacture* Accounted for by the Leading Four Enterprises in the 50 Leading Manufacturing, Mining and Logging Industries of Canada, Ranked by Value Added, 1974**

Industry	Enter- prises Number	Estab- lish- ments	1974	Value added **	% of Shipments* Accounted for by Leading Four Enterprises			
			Value of Shipments \$ Million		1974	1972	1970	1968
Pulp and Paper Mills	68	147	5,703.2	3,033.7	34.0	34.5	36.2	35.9
Iron and Steel Mills	33	47	3,036.2	1,385.3	76.8	77.8	76.2	78.1
Motor Vehicle Manufacturers	16	22	5,381.9	1,338.9	90.1	x	93.3	94.6
Misc. Machinery and Equipment Mfrs.	799	849	2,065.4	1,066.6	12.7	12.5	16.1	16.7
Nickel-Copper Mines	10	11	1,480.2	1,043.4	x	x	x	x
Motor Vehicle Parts and Accessories	186	227	2,281.1	1,026.7	46.2	48.9	46.2	49.7
Copper-Gold-Silver Mines	25	45	1,649.2	1,025.8	68.3	65.7	67.9	67.0
Sawmills and Planing Mills	1,414	1,530	2,329.8	976.1	18.8	18.2	20.9	22.1
Petroleum Refining	17	43	5,057.2	922.5	67.8	73.7	79.0	78.2
Smelting and Refining	14	28	1,409.9	753.5	75.0	78.7	79.0	79.9
Communications Equipment Mfrs.	222	260	1,225.4	742.4	60.8	56.5	55.8	..
Commercial Printing	2,127	2,208	1,214.7	710.1	20.9	19.5	17.1	15.9
Logging, n.e.s.	2,159	2,283	1,792.1	698.4	37.8	38.0	42.0	..
Publishing and Printing	531	614	878.8	663.1	48.7	42.5	37.6	35.4
Slaughtering and Meat Processors	433	487	3,579.0	634.5	50.2	54.0	54.8	55.4
Metal Stamping and Pressing Ind.	501	550	1,246.3	580.1	37.0	39.5	39.0	..
Miscellaneous Food Processors, n.e.s.	205	256	1,381.7	532.0	39.5	35.2	33.7	33.8
Pulpwood Logging	925	970	940.5	522.4	37.3	33.0	37.4	..
Dairy Products Industry	364	556	2,083.0	482.4	37.3	33.0	29.2	..
Plastics Fabricating Ind., n.e.s.	619	674	958.4	477.0	11.3	13.3	16.2	20.8
Fabricated Structural Metal Ind.	140	163	832.8	461.4	44.0	38.0	44.0	45.1
Rubber Products Industries	90	109	875.2	459.8	51.4	60.7	x	..
Wire and Wire Products Mfrs.	245	282	960.3	445.6	47.9	43.3	43.1	44.1
Misc. Metal Fabricating Inds.	473	501	858.1	443.6	13.4	15.1	14.6	18.9
Mfrs. of Electrical Ind. Equip.	139	184	764.5	431.1	50.7	51.1	55.6	58.0
Iron Mines	13	18	814.5	419.7	81.2	74.2	76.8	76.1
Breweries	6	44	612.9	415.0	x	96.6	94.0	94.8
Mfrs. Pharmaceuticals and Medicines	120	136	579.8	390.8	25.6	27.8	29.6	28.0
Mfrs. Ind. Chemicals n.e.s.-Organic	24	34	859.8	387.0	61.6	59.9	60.5	..
Silver-Lead-Zinc Mines***	20	25	658.2	382.7	86.5	88.6	84.8	87.6
Aircraft and Aircraft Parts Mfrs.	91	95	620.2	381.2	x	x	72.0	76.9
Bakeries	1,625	1,680	726.6	376.3	37.0	33.5	31.6	31.2
Men's Clothing Factories	448	482	790.5	375.4	12.7	11.7	12.0	11.8
Household Furniture Mfrs., n.e.s.	687	721	711.5	360.3	15.4	13.4	13.1	..
Mfrs. Ind. Chemicals n.e.s.-Inorganic	39	90	668.9	349.7	44.7	52.4	52.5	..
Distilleries	14	31	488.4	334.2	82.6	80.9	86.5	87.5
Misc. Chemical Industries, n.e.s.	259	328	724.2	331.6	33.2	32.3	36.4	..
Hardware, Tool and Cutlery Mfrs.	589	608	499.8	327.5	18.4	17.3	16.5	..
Women's Clothing Factories	559	586	745.7	327.3	7.5	8.2	8.0	7.2
Miscellaneous Paper Converters	176	219	690.4	326.0	34.2	33.5	33.3	32.9
Tobacco Products Manufacturers	10	16	504.9	287.1	97.7	97.2	96.9	95.9
Fruit and Veg. Canners & Preservers	162	209	694.5	270.8	37.3	39.8	41.7	..
Agricultural Implement Industry	140	143	571.9	270.0	x	65.3	70.6	67.4
Soft Drink Manufacturers	258	322	578.6	254.8	50.4	46.2	46.0	43.7
Mfrs. of Electrical Wire and Cable	19	38	674.2	243.5	80.2	79.2	83.0	77.4
Shipbuilding and Repair	53	58	483.3	240.3	67.9	63.7	61.8	63.4
Asbestos Mines	7	12	335.6	237.2	x	88.8	87.7	79.7
Coal Mines	16	20	309.3	234.5	78.2	77.1	76.6	..
Potash Mines	9	9	280.7	233.4	64.3	69.6	74.5	x
Mfrs. of Major Appliances	24	31	511.5	231.6	58.7	60.2	62.8	50.2

*Value of shipments of goods of own manufacture in manufacturing industries; value of mining production in mining industries and value of logging shipments in logging industries.

**Value added by manufacturing activity in manufacturing industries, by mining activity in mining industries and by logging activity in logging industries.

***Includes silver-cobalt mines in 1974.

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Weekly Security Price Indexes

March 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	Mar. 10/78 This week	Mar. 3/78 Week ago	Feb. 10/78 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	97.8	96.7	97.5
Industrials	85	90.8	89.5	91.5
Foods	9	105.5	103.1	99.6
Alcoholic beverages	5	85.7	82.6	82.4
Textiles and clothing	3	125.5	123.5	122.4
Pulp and paper	7	116.9	113.8	116.2
Printing and publishing	5	102.4	101.3	93.6
Primary metals	4	101.2	100.3	97.9
Industrial mines	6	61.7	60.8	64.3
Metal fabricating	9	158.7	158.2	173.3
Non-metallic minerals	4	96.6	96.0	98.8
Petroleum	8	98.5	97.3	100.0
Chemicals	5	107.0	106.8	102.1
Construction	5	266.5	268.9	273.7
Trade	15	78.5	78.1	80.2
Utilities and services	28	103.4	102.9	102.1
Transportation	6	127.4	126.4	127.0
Pipelines	5	89.2	88.9	88.7
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	108.3	107.9	106.9
Telephone	4	109.7	109.9	106.8
Electric power	3	139.5	137.3	131.1
Gas distribution	5	84.2	83.0	84.5
Finances	21	124.4	123.1	120.4
Banks	8	126.2	124.3	120.7
Investment and loan	9	116.5	116.6	116.0
Insurance	4	139.0	138.1	137.3
Mining Index	17	122.3	122.3	124.0
Gold	9	275.9	274.8	272.2
Base metals	8	48.7	49.1	53.0
Uranium	2	183.6	185.8	183.8
Primary oils and gas index	5	133.1	129.8	129.6

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural), January 1978 — Published Only in *The Daily*

The following table contains statistics on passenger bus carriers earning \$500,000 or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations. Cumulative data for the year serves as preliminary information on a significant portion of the industry until definitive annual statistics are available. Figures have been added showing total distance run and fuel consumed using the International System of Units (SI). This is the most modern version of the metric system, supported by the International Bureau of Weights and Measures. It is the system of units which Canada is adopting.

The following observations apply to the data in this release:

- Data relating to other services such as charter or contract are specific to the surveyed passenger bus carriers and are not indicative of overall charter and contract operations.
- Passengers paying a fare to the operator of one vehicle and travelling on a second or third vehicle on a transfer are counted for the first vehicle only.
- Total Distance Run in a revenue service, includes distance run empty which were necessary to provide the revenue service.

For further information, contact the Chief, Surface Transport Section (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, 110 O'Connor, Export Development Building, 4th Floor, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

(see table on next page)

Urban Transit, January 1978 — Advance Information

In January 1978, 56 urban transit systems collected 103,607,522 initial passenger fares. The total distance run was 32,380,347 miles (52 111 117 km), and their operating revenues amounted to \$36,116,574.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-996-9271), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6, or order the January issue of *Urban Transit* (53-003).

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural)

		1977		1978	
		Year-to-Date	January	Year-to-Date	January
		19	19	20	20
Carriers Reporting*					
Revenue Earned					
Intercity & Rural Services*	\$	8,228,239r	8,228,239r	10,017,988	10,017,988
Urban-Suburban Services	\$	29,493r	29,493r	25,341	25,341
Other Services (e.g. charter)	\$	807,294r	807,294r	2,733,881	2,733,881
Fare Passengers Carried					
Intercity & Rural Services*	No.	2,161,162r	2,161,162r	2,485,703	2,485,703
Urban-Suburban Services	No.	55,915	55,915	59,496	59,496
Other Services (e.g. charter)	No.	**	**	**	**
Total Distance Run					
Intercity & Rural Services*	miles:	8,660,188r	8,660,188r	8,978,231	8,978,231
	km:	13 937 222r	13 937 222r	14 449 062	14 449 062
Urban-Suburban Services	miles:	32,851	32,851	32,542	32,542
	km:	52 868	52 868	52 371	52 371
Other Services (e.g. charter)	miles:	560,972r	560,972r	2,162,926	2,162,926
	km:	902 797r	902 797r	3 480 892	3 480 892
Fuel Consumed					
Diesel Oil	gal.:	1,398,151r	1,398,151r	1,459,618	1,459,618
	litres:	6 356 120r	6 356 120r	6 635 555	6 635 555
Gasoline	gal.:	7,158r	7,158r	328,385	328,385
	litres:	32 541r	32 541r	1 492 868	1 492 868

* Includes charter operations of one intercity bus company.

** The number of fare passengers carried for services other than intercity and rural and urban and suburban are not kept by all carriers.

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Pulpwood and Wood Residue, January 1978 — Advance Information

Roundwood production decreased by 4.2% to 1,032,740 cunits (2 925 000 m³) in January 1978 from 1,077,609 cunits (3 051 000 m³) a year earlier. Consumption of roundwood and wood residue increased by 0.8% to 2,216,971 cunits (6 277 000 m³) from 2,199,370 cunits (6 228 000 m³) and the closing inventory of these two products decreased by 9.4% to 10,131,435 cunits (28 690 000 m³) from 11,188,132 cunits (31 680 000 m³). Receipts of wood residue decreased by 3.0% to 853,431 cunits (2 417 000 m³) from 879,456 cunits (2 490 000 m³).

For further information, order the January issue of *Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics* (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Dairy Factory Production, February 1978 — Advance Information

Production of creamery butter rose 9.9% in February 1978 to 10.9 million pounds from 9.9 million pounds a year earlier, cheddar cheese production fell 7.1% to 11.4 million pounds from 12.3 million and production of ice cream mix increased 1.0% to 1.93 million gallons from 1.91 million.

For further information, order the February issue of *Dairy Factory Production* (32-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, March 1, 1978 — Advance Information

Cold storage holdings of creamery butter were up to 55.4 million pounds on March 1 compared with last year's corresponding total of 35.8 million. Stocks of cheddar cheese were up to 56.9 million pounds from 55.3 million, stocks of skim milk power decreased 68.7% to 80.9 million pounds and stocks of evaporated whole milk decreased 33.9% to 13.0 million.

For further information, order the March issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products*, (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Housing Starts and Completions in Centres of 10,000 Population & Over

January 1978 — Advance Information

	Starts					Completions				
	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total
Newfoundland	26	—	—	31	57	19	6	84	72	181
Prince Edward Island	9	—	—	—	9	11	—	—	—	11
Nova Scotia	112	8	—	131	251	181	16	11	22	230
New Brunswick	27	4	—	16	47	125	8	—	134	267
Quebec	750	78	5	1,974	2,807	1,216	80	45	3,298	4,639
Ontario	688	566	339	2,288	3,881	1,437	516	1,102	1,308	4,363
Manitoba	150	117	224	1,066	1,557	300	119	113	249	781
Saskatchewan	143	80	16	814	1,053	382	58	188	65	693
Alberta	729	302	916	1,318	3,265	901	256	550	1,314	3,021
British Columbia	576	178	218	1,059	2,031	782	91	138	964	1,975
Canada	3,210	1,333	1,718	8,697	14,958	5,354	1,150	2,231	7,426	16,161
Metropolitan Areas										
Calgary	285	194	676	848	2,003	291	130	231	637	1,289
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	21	4	—	136	161	27	—	—	48	75
Edmonton	298	74	240	63	675	392	72	287	92	843
Halifax	50	8	—	91	149	108	12	11	10	141
Hamilton	40	188	7	—	235	91	24	—	346	461
Hull	6	—	—	—	6	21	10	36	—	67
Kitchener	88	72	104	12	276	149	20	35	94	298
London	87	6	80	—	173	86	38	35	100	259
Montreal	342	44	5	1,435	1,826	594	32	9	3,108	3,743
Oshawa	33	10	48	—	91	50	32	21	—	103
Ottawa	4	50	—	—	54	11	44	189	—	244
Quebec	185	28	—	74	287	200	28	—	68	296
Regina	44	16	—	174	234	186	52	—	—	238
St. Catharines-Niagara	30	6	—	101	137	121	32	37	—	190
Saint John	14	2	—	—	16	21	4	—	24	49
St. John's	26	—	—	31	57	17	4	64	72	157
Saskatoon	85	56	—	450	591	107	6	188	65	366
Sudbury	6	4	—	—	10	51	—	52	50	153
Thunder Bay	9	—	—	—	9	69	10	5	10	94
Toronto	121	46	64	1,510	1,741	344	222	632	264	1,462
Vancouver	378	124	193	683	1,378	431	41	106	704	1,282
Victoria	49	30	10	292	381	58	16	6	232	312
Windsor	82	2	—	80	164	131	6	1	61	199
Winnipeg	146	117	192	1,066	1,521	274	119	113	249	755
Sub-Total	2,429	1,081	1,619	7,046	12,175	3,830	954	2,058	6,234	13,076
Major Urban Areas	198	154	—	356	708	398	68	78	303	847
Other areas 10,000 +	583	98	99	1,295	2,075	1,126	128	95	889	2,238
All Areas 10,000 +	3,210	1,333	1,718	8,697	14,958	5,354	1,150	2,231	7,426	16,161

For further information, contact Mr. J.P. Délisle (613-994-9527), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Financial Flows — Advance Information

Advanced information on the fourth quarter 1977, for selected sectors, is now available from the Financial Flows Section.

For further information, contact G. Hughes (613-995-0851), Financial Flows Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa.

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Index to Volume 69 of the Quarterly Bulletin of Agricultural Statistics, 1976 (21-003, N/C)

Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, December 1977 (35-001, 30¢/\$3)

Miscellaneous Food Preparations, Quarter Ended December 31, 1977 (32-018, 35¢/\$1.40)

Biscuits and Confectionery, Quarter Ended December 31, 1977 (32-016, 35¢/\$1.40)

Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products, January 1978 (41-006, 15¢/\$1.40)

Consumption, Production and Inventories of Rubber, January 1978 (33-003, 30¢/\$3)

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Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending March 7

	Eastern* Division	Western* Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	2,487,695	2,252,421	4,740,116
Short tons, 1977	2,497,008	2,126,093	4,623,101
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 256 799	2 043 362	4 300 161
Metric tonnes, 1977	2 265 248	1 928 759	4 194 007
% change	-0.4	5.9	2.5
Cars, 1978	40,268	33,427	73,695
Cars, 1977	41,230	31,878	73,108
% change	-2.3	4.9	0.8
Piggyback traffic**:			
Short tons, 1978	183,275	58,368	241,643
Short tons, 1977	166,688	57,705	224,393
Metric tonnes, 1978	166 264	52 951	219 215
Metric tonnes, 1977	151 217	52 349	203 566
% change	10.0	1.1	7.7
Cars, 1978	5,466	2,419	7,885
Cars, 1977	5,149	2,535	7,684
% change	6.2	-4.6	2.6
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	22,290,656	18,769,297	41,059,953
Short tons, 1977	20,065,771	18,856,765	38,922,536
Metric tonnes, 1978	20 221 743	17 027 220	37 248 963
Metric tonnes, 1977	18 203 361	17 106 569	35 309 930
% change	11.1	-0.5	5.5
Cars, 1978	356,703	283,813	640,516
Cars, 1977	336,781	286,671	623,452
% change	5.9	-1.0	2.7
Piggyback traffic**:			
Short tons, 1978	1,524,858	528,705	2,053,563
Short tons, 1977	1,421,962	503,149	1,925,111
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 383 328	479 633	1 862 961
Metric tonnes, 1977	1 289 982	456 449	1 746 431
% change	7.2	5.1	6.7
Cars, 1978	45,137	21,528	66,665
Cars, 1977	42,786	21,756	64,542
% change	5.5	-1.0	3.3

*The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

**Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

***All 1977 figures have been revised — 1978 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended March 7, 1978 — Published Only in *The Daily*

Canadian railway freight loadings totalled 4.3 million t (4.7 million short tons) in the above-seven days, an increase of 2.5% over the same period last year. Western traffic rose 5.9% while Eastern traffic declined 0.4%. The number of cars loaded totalled 73,695, an increase of 0.8% since last year.

Trailer-container (piggyback) traffic showed an increase of 7.7% caused by a 10.0% increase in the East and a 1.1% increase in the West.

From January 1 to March 7, 1978 railways loaded 37.2 million t (41.1 million short tons) or 5.5% more than during the same period in 1977. The carload count increased 2.7%. Cumulative container-trailer (piggyback) traffic registered a gain of 6.7%.

For further information, contact Mr. J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Production of Eggs and Poultry, January 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian egg production increased by 2.4% to 39.7 million dozen in January 1978 from 38.8 million a year earlier. Average number of layers at 24.4 million was the same and eggs per 100 layers increased 2.5% to 1,955 from 1,907. Farm price of eggs sold for market decreased by 6.1% to 61.6¢ per dozen compared with 65.6¢ per dozen.

For further information on January production and revised figures for 1976 and 1977 order the January issue of *Production of eggs and Poultry* (23-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact J.H. Dickson (613-994-9964), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Charlottetown, Moncton, Saint John and Sydney by calling the operator and asking for ZENITH 22066. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

Coal and Coke Statistics, October 1977 — Advance Information

October coal production decreased 215,719 to 2,470,687 (2 241 369 metric tonnes) from 3,686,406 (2 437 067 metric tonnes) a year earlier. Imports increased to 2,294,289 tons (2 081 345 metric tonnes) from 1,820,770 tons (1 651 774 metric tonnes). Industrial consumers used 1,993,407 tons (1 808 388 metric tonnes) of coal, down 209,599 tons (190 145 metric tonnes) and 478,281 tons (433 899 metric tonnes) of coke, a decrease of 24,214 tons (21 967 metric tonnes).

For further information, order the October issue of *Coal and Coke Statistics* (45-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Energy and Mineral Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Fish Freezings and Stocks, January 1978

Advance data from *Fish Freezings and Stocks* (Catalogue 24-001) for the month of January 1978 are now available.

For further information, order the January 1978 issue of *Fish Freezings and Stocks* (24-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

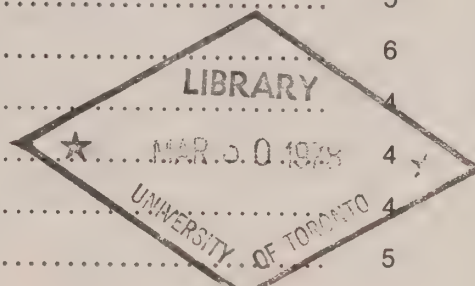
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Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, November 1977 (26-006, 30¢/\$3)

Corrugated Box Manufacturers, 1976 (36-213, 70¢)

Telecommunications Statistics, 1976 (56-201, 70¢)

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Manufacturers of Household Radio and Television Receivers, 1976 (43-205, 70¢)

Automobile Fabric Accessories Industry, 1976 (34-222, 70¢)

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, December 1977 (35-003, 30¢/\$3)

Report on Livestock Surveys — Cattle, Sheep, January 1, 1978 (23-004, 70¢)

Iron Ore, January 1978 (26-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

Gold Production, January 1978 (26-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Concrete Products, January 1978 (44-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Radio and Television Receiving Sets, January 1978 (43-004, 30¢/\$3)

Service Bulletins:

Metals and Minerals (41-010, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 5, No. 15, Grinding Balls, 1977

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 17, Pack of Processed Pumpkin and Squash, 1977

Canada's Balance of International Indebtedness, 1975 — Advance Information

Canada's balance of international indebtedness rose by \$7 billion to \$42.3 billion at the end of 1975, almost double the growth of \$3.6 billion registered in the previous year. The balance of international indebtedness represents the amount by which Canada's outstanding liabilities or obligations to other countries exceed Canada's assets or claims against other countries. Following increases of 11% and 7% in 1974 and 1973 respectively, net indebtedness expanded sharply by 20%. At 1975 year-end Canada's gross liabilities, the amount owing to other countries in long-term and short-term forms, stood at \$82.8 billion, an increase of 14% over 1974. This was offset partially by \$40.5 billion in gross assets, the total amount owing to Canada by non-residents, which grew by 8% from \$37.5 billion.

Among the assets, Canadian long-term investment abroad rose by 14% to \$21.6 billion with direct investment rising 15% to \$10.7 billion and miscellaneous investments, due largely to export credits, increasing by 19% to \$3.7 billion. Net official monetary assets which remained at \$5.8 billion during the two previous years, declined to \$5.4 billion at 1975 year-end while short-term receivables rose by 8% to \$10.9 billion.

Foreign long-term investment in Canada advanced by 14% to \$68.6 billion with direct investment growing by 10% to \$39.8 billion due mainly to the growth in retained earnings by foreign-controlled enterprises in Canada. However, the largest percentage increase was recorded for government bonds which grew by 30% to \$15.1 billion. Provincial governments and their agencies were particularly active borrowers abroad accounting for over four-fifths of the \$3.5 billion increase in foreign bond borrowings by the three levels of government. There was a substantial rise in non-resident holdings of Canadian dollars to \$2.7 billion, largely in bank deposits. Short-term payables grew more moderately to \$7.2 billion at 1975 year-end.

All the items in Canada's balance of international indebtedness, except net official monetary assets and miscellaneous short-term receivables and payables, have been allocated geographically. On this basis, Canada's gross assets in the United States at the end of 1975 declined marginally to \$8.2 billion. Increases in direct and portfolio investments were offset by a decrease in short-term holdings of foreign exchange by the chartered banks with United States residents. Canada's gross liabilities to the United States rose by 13% to \$56.4 billion to produce a net indebtedness position of \$48.2 billion. Investment in government bonds by United States residents rose sharply to \$11.1 billion while direct investment, including undistributed profits, expanded to \$32.2 billion.

Canada's net indebtedness with the United Kingdom declined to the \$800 million level from \$1.1 billion at the end of 1974. This improvement in investment position was due mainly to a growth in assets, particularly in short-term holdings of foreign exchange. On the liabilities side, United Kingdom direct investment in Canada increased to \$3.7 billion.

Canada's net indebtedness position with all other countries expanded by one-third to \$2.4 billion as liabilities increased by 24% to \$12.9 billion with substantial borrowing in the Eurobond market during 1975. Among the assets which rose by 22% to \$10.5 billion, there were expansions in direct investment, short-term holdings of foreign exchange, and miscellaneous investment.

For further information, contact F. Chow (613-996-2545), Balance of Payments Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z8.

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Canada's Balance of International Indebtedness, Selected Year Ends, 1971-1975

Item	1971	1972r	1973r	1974r	1975
billions of dollars					
Canada's assets:					
Direct investment	6.5	6.7	7.8	9.3	10.7
Portfolio investment	3.0	3.3	3.7	3.9	4.3
Miscellaneous investment(1)	1.4	1.8	2.2	3.1	3.7
Government of Canada credits	1.6	1.7	1.8	2.0	2.3
Government of Canada subscriptions to international investment agencies	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.6
Canadian long-term investment abroad	12.8	13.9	16.0	18.9	21.6
Net official monetary assets	5.6	6.0	5.8	5.8	5.4
Other Canadian short-term holdings of foreign exchange	2.7	2.3	3.0	2.7	2.6
Gross assets(2)	21.1	22.2	24.8	27.4	29.6
Net official monetary assets	5.6	6.0	5.8	5.8	5.4
United States(2, 3)	7.1	7.2	8.5	8.4	8.2
United Kingdom(2, 3)	4.4	4.0	3.9	4.6	5.5
Other countries(2, 3)	4.0	5.0	6.6	8.6	10.5
Short-term receivables n.i.e.(4)	5.5	7.2	8.3	10.1	10.9
Gross assets	26.6	29.4	33.1	37.5	40.5
Canada's liabilities:					
Direct investment	27.9	29.5	32.7	36.1	39.8
Government bonds	8.1	9.4	10.0	11.6	15.1
Other portfolio investment	7.1	7.9	8.7	9.2	10.1
Miscellaneous investment	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.6
Foreign long-term investment in Canada	46.2	50.0	54.7	60.3	68.6
Non-resident equity in Canadian assets abroad	3.0	2.7	3.1	3.3	3.9
Official SDR liabilities	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
Total long-term liabilities	49.5	53.1	58.2	64.0	72.9
Non-resident holdings of Canadian dollars	1.0	1.1	1.3	2.0	2.7
Gross liabilities(2)	50.5	54.2	59.5	66.0	75.6
United States(2)	39.1	41.0	45.0	49.9	56.4
United Kingdom(2)	4.7	4.9	5.5	5.7	6.3
Other countries(2, 5)	6.7	8.3	9.0	10.4	12.9
Short-term payables n.i.e.(4, 6)					
Finance company obligations	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.4	1.6
Other	3.4	3.6	4.1	5.4	5.6
Gross liabilities	55.1	59.0	64.8	72.8	82.8
Canada's international indebtedness:					
Net indebtedness	28.5	29.6	31.7	35.3	42.3
Net official monetary assets	-5.6	-6.0	-5.8	-5.8	-5.4
United States	32.0	33.8	36.5	41.5	48.2
United Kingdom	0.3	0.9	1.6	1.1	0.8
Other countries	2.7	3.3	2.4	1.8	2.4
Short-term n.i.e.	-0.9	-2.4	-3.0	-3.3	-3.7

(1) Includes export credits by government and private sectors less reserve against government inactive assets.

(2) Excludes short-term receivables and payables.

(3) Excludes net official monetary assets.

(4) Country distribution not available.

(5) Includes international financial agencies.

(6) Since the end of 1964 certain finance company obligations, previously classified as long-term investments, are shown as part of short-term liabilities.

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Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing

(1971=100)

	Relative Importance(1)	Index		Percent Change		Percent Contribution to Total Change	
		Jan.* 1978	Dec.* 1977	Jan. 1977	Jan./78 Dec./77	Jan./78 Dec./77	Jan./78 Jan./77
Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing	100.0	180.2	178.0	167.5	1.2	7.6	100.0 100.0
SIC Major Groups:							
1. Food and Beverage Industries	19.9	192.7	190.9	176.8	0.9	9.0	16.1 24.8
2. Tobacco Products Industries	1.1	145.8	145.2	135.6	0.4	7.5	0.3 0.9
3. Rubber and Plastics Products Industries	2.5	152.6	151.5	145.3	0.7	5.0	1.3 1.5
4. Leather Industries	0.9	179.8	177.1	167.8	1.5	7.2	1.1 0.8
5. Textile Industries	3.5	154.1	152.8	146.5	0.9	5.2	2.1 2.1
6. Knitting Mills	0.9	135.3	134.0	128.8	1.0	5.0	0.5 0.5
8. Wood Industries	4.7	206.6	199.2	175.2	3.7	17.9	15.7 11.7
9. Furniture and Fixture Industries	1.6	177.0	176.4	170.7	0.3	3.7	0.4 0.8
10. Paper and Allied Industries	8.2	193.3	194.0	188.9	-0.4	2.3	-2.6 2.8
12. Primary Metal Industries	8.4	196.6	194.6	182.4	1.0	7.8	7.5 9.3
13. Metal Fabricating Industries	7.5	177.5	176.4	165.7	0.6	7.1	3.7 7.0
14. Machinery Industries	4.4	162.7	162.1	156.1	0.4	4.2	1.2 2.3
16. Electrical Products Industries	6.8	152.7	150.7	143.2	1.3	6.6	6.1 5.1
17. Non-Metallic Mineral Products Industries	3.2	184.3	180.7	169.4	2.0	8.8	5.2 3.7
18. Petroleum and Coal Products Industries	4.2	237.1	237.1	226.6	0.0	4.6	0.0 3.5
19. Chemical and Chemical Products Industries	6.6	182.9	180.4	171.4	1.4	6.7	7.4 5.9
Other Major Groups(2)	15.6	157.4	152.4	143.1	3.2	9.9	34.1 17.3

* These indexes are preliminary.

(1) Group weights are based on 1971 value of shipments (Census of Manufacturers, 1971).

(2) Included are the following major groups: 7. Clothing Industries, 15. Transportation Equipment Industries, 20. Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries.

Industry Selling Price Index, January 1978 — Advance Information

The Industry Selling Price Index for manufacturing rose to 180.2 in January, a 1.2% increase from its revised December level of 178.0. The index was 7.6% higher than in January 1977 when it stood at 167.5. The major groups which had the most effect on the total index in January were food and beverage industries and wood industries.

The food and beverage industries index rose 0.9% largely on account of increases of 1.4% for slaughtering and meat processors — 1.2% for dairy products and 1.8% for the feed industry.

The wood industries index registered an increase of 3.7% which was attributable mainly to a rise of 4.7% in the index for sawmills and planing mills.

Passenger Bus Statistics, 1971 and 1972 — Advance Information

Data on fuel consumption by passenger buses and the revenue equipment operated for carriers which earned \$500,000 or more from intercity and rural bus operations in 1976 are available for the years 1971 and 1972.

For further information, contact Mr. S. Mozes (613-996-9271), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Urban Transit Statistics, 1971 and 1972 — Advance Information

Data on fuel consumption in urban transit and the revenue equipment operated for carriers which earned \$500,000 or more from urban transit operations in 1976 are available for the years 1971 and 1972.

For further information, contact Mr. S. Mozes (613-996-9271), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, March 1, 1978 — Advance Information

Total frozen meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of March amounted to 99.6 million lbs. compared with 96.9 million last month and 129.9 million a year ago.

For further information, order the March issue of *Stocks of Frozen Meat Products* (32-012, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach, (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Wholesale Price Indexes

(1935-39=100)

	Jan. 1978*	Dec. 1977*	Jan. 1977	Dec. 1976	% Change	
					Jan./78 Dec./77	Jan./78 Jan./77
General wholesale index	580.0	571.9	532.9	525.2	1.4	8.8
Vegetable products	500.3	495.8	464.9	447.6	0.9	7.6
Animal products	623.1	610.2	542.5	542.2	2.1	14.9
Textile products	480.0	471.0	468.3	465.6	1.9	2.5
Wood products	833.3	819.2	745.6	738.9	1.7	11.8
Iron products	615.6	612.3	580.0	576.0	0.5	6.1
Non-ferrous metals including gold	505.3	496.5	471.0	461.2	1.8	7.3
Non-metallic minerals	483.5	478.8	453.2	444.9	1.0	6.7
Chemical products	420.9	414.8	397.2	394.0	1.5	6.0
Summary indexes						
Iron products and non-ferrous metals excluding gold	667.3	660.7	627.9	619.3	1.0	6.3
Raw and partly manufactured goods	533.8	522.9	492.3	481.1	2.1	8.4
Fully and chiefly manufactured goods	604.1	598.0	554.6	549.0	1.0	8.9

* These indexes are preliminary.

General Wholesale Index, January 1978 — Advance Information

The General Wholesale Index rose 1.4% to 580.0 in January from its revised December level of 571.9. The index was 8.8% higher than in January 1977 when it stood at 532.9. The major groups which had the most effect on the total index in January were wood products and animal products.

The wood products index rose 1.7% due mainly to increases of 4.3% for fir and 3.6% for cedar.

The animal products index showed an increase of 2.1% attributable largely to increases of 3.3% for livestock, 1.5% for milk and its products, 1.9% for fish and 1.6% for fresh meats.

Particle Board, January 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian firms produced 52,023 square (4 833 000 m²) 5/8" (15.9 mm) basis of particle board in January 1978 compared with 39 419 square feet (3 662 000 m²) in 1977, a 32.0% increase.

For further information, order the January 1978 issue of *Particle Board* (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended March 18, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended March 18, 1978, totals 301,472 short tons (273 491 t), a decrease of 3.6% from the preceding week's total of 312,763 short tons (283 734 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was 309,429 short tons (280 709 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 164.5 in the current week, 170.7 a week earlier and 168.9 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Financial Institutions

Fourth Quarter 1977 — Advance Information.

	4th Quarter 1977	Change From Same Period a Year Earlier		Amount Change from 3rd Quarter 1977
	\$'000	Amount \$'000	%	\$'000
Trust Companies				
Mortgages	16,938,157	2,742,962	20.8	730,078
Total assets	23,202,990	3,464,733	18.9	790,177
Demand deposits	4,355,313	816,392	25.9	241,656
Term deposits	16,664,942	2,335,903	17.4	659,884
Mortgage Companies				
Mortgages	7,853,638	1,323,555	17.5	326,997
Total assets	9,429,680	1,597,243	17.1	421,636
Demand deposits	473,545	55,132	6.8	14,297
Term deposits	5,426,124	849,400	15.4	305,921
Real Estate Investment Trusts				
Mortgages	880,119	172,010	24.3	61,505
Total assets	1,596,178	327,430	25.8	105,377
Financial Corporations				
Retail sales financing:				
Industrial & Commercial	2,370,397	86,632	3.8	107,580
Consumer	2,395,579	48,002	2.0	117,095
Wholesale Financing	2,126,620	368,332	20.7	113,047
Loans Under Small Loans Act	209,660	-27,388	-11.5	2,568
Other Personal Loans	1,562,493	-25,924	-1.6	-12,112
Total Assets	11,908,139	814,319	7.3	366,290
Finance Leasing Corporations				
Lease contracts	767,792	100,214	14.7	55,223
Total assets	1,366,417	343,811	33.7	215,546
Investment Funds (Cost)				
Canadian Preferred Shares	52,174	-43,558	-41.0	-8,650
Canadian common shares	1,006,637	-71,355	-6.7	-21,214
Foreign Preferred & Common Shares	375,207	-117,890	-25.6	-13,804
Total Assets	3,019,860	220,672	8.0	69,285
Total Portfolio:				
Cost	2,914,225	308,570	11.5	65,427
Market	3,053,939	270,369	9.7	97,099
Closed-End Funds (Cost)				
Canadian Common Shares	345,066	8,582	2.4	-167
Total Portfolio:				
Cost	493,929	2,761	0.6	-1,608
Market	743,521	61,606	9.0	20,489
Property & Casualty Insurance Cos.				
Net Premiums	1,173,924	144,819	14.1	48,577
Underwriting Gains	-158,876	-74,993	...	-231,476
Total assets	8,173,273	1,480,413	22.2	422,647

Further information will be contained in the Statistics Canada publication *Financial Institutions*, fourth quarter 1977 (61-006, \$1.40/\$5.60).

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Federal Electoral Districts Based on 1976 Representation Order

Population counts by Mother Tongue and Age groups from the 1976 Census are now available for 282 new Federal Electoral Districts (1976 Representation Order). The population counts for the new Federal Electoral Districts were prepared through the Census Geocoding facilities. These as well as other data will appear in Bulletin 92-808, to be published later in 1978. The population, aged 18 or over, at June 1, 1976, was 15,664,020. Most populous Federal Electoral District is Mississauga North, Ontario, with a population of 138,575; the smallest is Nunatsiaq, in the Northwest Territories, at 14,785. The above information for any of the Federal Electoral Districts can be obtained by contacting Census Information Services (613-996-5254), Statistics Canada.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Preliminary Unemployment Insurance Statistics, December 1977 (73-001P, N/C)

Employment, Earnings and Hours, November 1977 (72-002, 70¢/\$7)

Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (Including the Index of Industrial Production), December 1977 (61-005, 40¢/\$4)

Agriculture — Quebec, 1976 Census of Canada (96-805, \$10)

Railway Freight Traffic, Third Quarter 1977 (52-002, \$1.05/\$4.20)

Health Manpower — Dental Hygienists, 1977 (83-230, 70¢)

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The Dairy Review, January 1978 (23-001, 40¢/\$4)

Mental Health Statistics, Volume III — Institutional Facilities, Services and Finances, 1975 (83-205, \$1.05)

The Wheat Review, November 1977 (22-005, 55¢/\$5.50)

Poultry Processors, 1976 (32-227, 70¢)

Flour and Breakfast Cereal Products Industry, 1976 (32-228, 70¢)

Grain Milling Statistics, January 1978 (32-003, 30¢/\$3)

Oil Pipe Line Transport, December 1977 (55-001, 30¢/\$3)

Soaps and Synthetic Detergents, January 1978 (46-003, 30¢/\$3)

Production and Shipments of Steel Pipe, Tubing and Fittings, January 1978 (41-011, 30¢/\$3)

Real Domestic Product — January 1978

The seasonally-adjusted index of real domestic product declined 0.3% to 128.6 in January from a level of 129.0 in December. The index of industrial production declined 1.1% in December. Goods-producing industries decreased 1.4%, while service-producing industries rose 0.4% in the month.

In goods-producing industries, substantial decreases were recorded in agriculture, forestry, construction, mining and manufacturing. The most significant decline occurred in the manufacturing sector, where non-durable manufacturing industries were unchanged from the December level, while durable manufacturing industries dropped 2.2%. In non-durable manufacturing, increases were recorded by manufacturers of food and beverage products, leather products, petroleum and coal products, chemicals and chemical products and by printing, publishing and allied industries. Among the industries that declined were manufacturers of tobacco products, rubber and plastic products, and paper and allied products. The decrease in durable manufacturing was attributable to a sharp decline in output by manufacturers of transportation equipment, electrical products and non-metallic mineral products. The major factor in the decline was reduced production of motor vehicles. The decline in electrical products industries was due to decreased production of the miscellaneous electrical products industry where decreases in battery and headlamp production were mainly responsible. In the non-metallic mineral products industries, decreases were recorded by manufacturers of cement, concrete products, ready-mix concrete and home insulation materials. Lower levels of grain and poultry production caused the decline in agriculture output. The decrease in forestry was due to a decrease in both pulpwood and logging operations. The construction industry recorded the third consecutive monthly decrease as a result of sharp drops in both residential and non-residential building activity. In January, the mining industry experienced its largest decline since July 1977. These two decreases were attributable to falling production

of crude petroleum. July 1977 and January 1978 were the months in which increases in the wellhead prices of crude oil took place.

In service-producing industries, transportation, storage and communication, trade, community, business and personal services, and public administration and defence services all recorded increases, while finance, insurance and real estate services declined slightly. The rise in transportation, storage and communication services resulted from increases in air transport, railway transport, urban transit systems and grain elevators. Pipeline transport was down sharply in January. In trade, both wholesale trade and retail trade registered substantial gains. The advance in wholesale trade was due to increases by wholesale merchants and wholesalers of petroleum products. Retail trade almost recovered to the high November level, with increases occurring in food stores, motor vehicle dealers, clothing stores and furniture, television, radio and appliance stores. Department stores and drug stores recorded substantial declines during the month. The increase in community, business and personal services was due largely to advances in accommodation and food services. The growth in public administration and defence services was due to advances in federal and local administration services.

For further information, order the January issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry* (including the Index of Industrial Production) (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	% Change
Real Domestic Product	100.000	128.3	129.0	129.0	128.6	-0.3
Agriculture	3.371	97.4	97.1	98.6	96.1	-2.5
Forestry	.715	114.0	115.0	119.7	115.9	-3.2
Fishing and Trapping	.181	117.2	118.5	108.4	113.3	4.5
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	109.0	112.2	111.6	105.7	-5.3
Manufacturing industries	22.862	124.5	124.4	124.5	123.1	-1.1
Construction industry	6.990	112.8	111.2	110.3	107.9	-2.2
Transportation, storage and communication	9.096	137.3	137.5	136.8	137.5	0.5
Transportation	5.874	126.0	125.8	123.5	124.6	0.9
Air transport and services incidental to air transport	.679	180.6	178.1	176.3	179.8	2.0
Railway transport	1.700	121.9	121.8	113.5	118.2	4.1
Bus transport, interurban and rural	.089	134.3	138.2	145.4	139.6	-4.0
Urban transit systems	.250	114.6	103.1	109.5	119.6	9.2
Pipeline transport	.489	120.7	122.8	124.0	115.3	-7.0
Storage	.258	109.0	104.0	96.7	101.3	4.8
Grain elevators	.177	96.6	90.1	78.3	82.4	5.2
Communication	2.964	162.3	163.6	166.7	166.4	-0.2
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	147.8	153.2	154.3	158.1	2.5
Trade	11.367	133.6	136.4	136.3	137.7	1.0
Wholesale trade	4.509	125.1	124.4	126.9	128.8	1.5
Wholesale merchants	3.242	125.9	126.2	128.2	129.9	1.3
Retail trade	6.858	139.3	144.3	142.6	143.5	0.6
Food stores	1.368	115.4	117.6	114.4	115.9	1.3
General merchandise stores	1.562	140.6	149.2	142.3	141.5	-0.6
Department stores	.927	160.8	177.0	166.2	163.8	-1.4
Other general merchandise stores	.635	111.0	108.7	107.3	109.1	1.7
Motor vehicle dealers	.697	156.3	150.4	149.9	159.7	6.5
Clothing stores	.462	120.9	129.5	129.6	130.9	1.0
Hardware stores	.098	114.6	119.1	122.8	118.3	-3.7
Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores	.177	131.9	136.2	133.6	139.0	4.0
Drug stores	.290	168.5	178.7	178.7	171.3	-4.1
Finance, insurance and real estate	12.036	135.5	136.5	136.9	136.5	-0.3
Community, business and personal service industries	19.359	134.2	135.1	134.9	135.3	0.3
Education and related services	6.509	110.6	111.0	109.7	110.0	0.3
Health and welfare services	5.272	134.0	134.4	134.7	135.0	0.2
Amusement and recreation services	.427	178.3	175.6	178.7	176.1	-1.5
Services to business management	2.311	194.8	197.0	199.4	198.0	-0.7
Personal services	1.000	107.4	107.1	106.9	107.4	0.5
Accommodation and food services	2.799	142.6	145.4	143.6	146.7	2.2
Public administration and defence	7.388	125.6	125.5	125.6	126.0	0.3
Special groupings:						
Index of industrial production	29.497	124.7	125.5	125.6	124.2	-1.1
Real domestic product less agriculture	96.629	129.3	130.1	130.0	129.7	-0.2
Goods-producing industries	40.754	120.2	120.5	120.6	118.9	-1.4
Goods-producing industries less agriculture	37.383	122.3	122.6	122.6	121.0	-1.3
Service-producing industries	59.246	133.8	134.8	134.7	135.2	0.4
Commercial industries	81.341	130.6	131.4	131.5	130.9	-0.5
Commercial industries less agriculture	77.970	132.0	132.9	132.9	132.4	-0.4
Non-commercial industries	18.659	118.2	118.3	118.0	118.2	0.2
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	121.5	120.8	120.9	120.9	—
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	127.6	128.0	128.1	125.3	-2.2

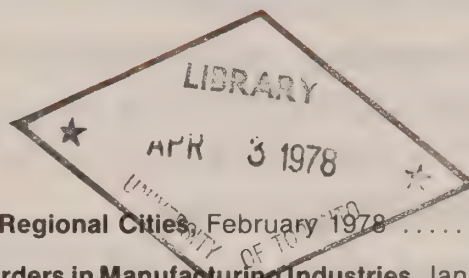
**Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, March 1, 1978 —
Advance Information**

Stocks of fruits, frozen and in preservatives, in storages and factories on March 1 totalled 33.9 million lbs. compared with 30.1 million last year. Holdings of vegetables, frozen and in brine totalled 113.4 million lbs. (117.5 million in 1977).

For further information, order the March issue of *Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables* (32-010, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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Exports by Commodities

Full details on commodity-country export trade for January are now available either on microfiche or by telephone in advance of the regular publication, *Exports by Commodities* (65-004, 80¢/\$8). Direct information requests to G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, February 1978 (62-009, 30¢/\$3)

Amendment #1 to CANSIM Mini Base Series Directory, September 1977 (12-204E, \$10 amendment included)

Wholesale Trade, January 1978 (63-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Biscuit Manufacturers, 1976 (32-202, 70¢)

Production and Inventories of Process Cheese and Instant Skim Milk Powder, February 1978 (32-024, 15¢/\$1.50)

Monthly Production of Soft Drinks, February 1978 (32-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Cemented Tungsten Carbide Blanks and Tools, January 1978 (41-013, 15¢/\$1.50)

Production and Sales of Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes in Canada, January 1978 (47-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Factory Sales of Electrical Storage Batteries, January 1978 (43-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

Footwear Statistics, January 1978 (33-002, 30¢/\$3)

Selected Meat and Meat Preparations, January 1978 (32-020, 15¢/\$1.50)

Mineral Industries: Principal Statistics, 1975 (26-204, 35¢)

Electric Lamps, January 1978 (43-009, 15¢/\$1.50)

Sanitaryware, January 1978 (41-012, 15¢/\$1.50)

Domestic Water Tank Heaters, January 1978 (43-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

Domestic and Farm Water Systems, January 1978 (41-015, 15¢/\$1.50)

Consumer Price Index for Regional Cities, February 1978

The consumer price index for each regional city measures price change from one time period to another within that specific city. Thus, while city CPIs show the movement of prices in each city, they do not indicate price level differences between cities. (Some such inter-city price comparisons are published separately: for references see footnote to ensuing tables.)

Between January and February, consumer price indexes rose in all regional cities with increases ranging from 0.1% in Thunder Bay to 1.1% in Winnipeg. Higher prices for food, notably those for fresh produce, pork products, bread and soft drinks, together with increased prices for new cars were largely responsible for these advances. Other important contributing factors were increased shelter charges, higher automobile registration fees in some cities, and higher clothing prices. At the same time prices for beef and chicken generally declined.

St. John's

All items: January to February 1978, up 0.6%; February 1977 to February 1978, up 7.9%.

Main contributors: higher prices for fresh produce, beef and poultry; increased clothing prices. Prices also up for new cars, electricity rates and furniture prices declined.

Halifax

All items: January to February 1978, up 0.6%; February 1977 to February 1978, up 8.3%.

Main contributors: increased prices for pork and fresh fruit, poultry and fresh vegetable prices declined; higher shelter charges. Prices up for new cars, selected clothing items, barbering and hairdressing services.

Saint John

All items: January to February 1978, up 0.7%; February 1977 to February 1978, up 8.2%.

Main contributors: increased prices for fresh produce, meat, bread, butter and restaurant meals but those for chicken declined. Prices up for new cars. Increased charges for owned accommodation.

Quebec City

All items: January to February 1978, up 0.7%; February 1977 to February 1978, up 8.0%.

Main contributors: higher prices for soft drinks, fresh milk, fresh fruit and bread, prices for fresh vegetables declined; increased homeownership charges. Prices up for selected clothing items, new cars and barbering and hairdressing services.

Montreal

All items: January to February 1978, up 0.8%; February 1977 to February 1978, up 8.3%.

Main contributors: increased prices for fresh produce, fresh milk, soft drinks and bread, beef prices declined. Higher prices for new cars. Prices also up for selected clothing items, domestic gas and alcoholic beverages consumed in licensed premises.

Ottawa

All items: January to February 1978, up 0.5%; February 1977 to February 1978, up 8.3%.

Main contributors: higher prices for fresh produce, bread, pork and restaurant meals; lower prices for chicken. Increased automobile registration fees and higher prices for new cars. Shelter charges up as well as prices for selected clothing items.

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Toronto

All items: January to February 1978, up 0.2%; February 1977 to February 1978, up 8.3%.

Main contributors: increased automobile registration fees and higher prices for new cars; higher shelter charges. Increased prices for clothing and women's hairdressing services. Overall food prices declined.

Thunder Bay

All items: January to February 1978, up 0.1%; February 1977 to February 1978, up 8.7%.

Main contributors: increased homeownership charges. Higher prices for clothing and furniture. Prices also rose for new cars but automobile registration fees declined. Prices rose for fresh fruit and pork, prices for fresh vegetables declined.

Winnipeg

All items: January to February 1978, up 1.1%; February 1977 to February 1978, up 8.6%.

Main contributors: increased prices for fresh produce, soft drinks and pork; higher shelter charges and increased electricity rates. Prices also up for new cars and women's apparel.

Saskatoon

All items: January to February 1978, up 0.2%; February 1977 to February 1978, up 9.2%.

Main contributors: higher shelter charges and increased household operation expenses; higher prices for new cars and selected clothing items. Food prices were generally lower.

Regina

All items: January to February 1978, up 0.7%; February 1977 to February 1978, up 10.2%.

Main contributors: increased prices for meat, fresh vegetables and bread, prices for fresh fruit declined; higher shelter charges. Prices up for new cars, women's wear and men's haircuts but rates for domestic gas declined.

Edmonton

All items: January to February 1978, up 0.4%; February 1977 to February 1978, up 9.3%.

Main contributors: increased shelter charges and higher prices for selected clothing items; prices up for new cars, gasoline and increased taxi fares. Food-at-home prices declined generally.

Calgary

All items: January to February 1978, up 0.9%; February 1977 to February 1978, up 8.5%.

Main contributors: increased charges for both owned and rented accommodation; higher prices for clothing and new automobiles. Increased prices for fresh produce but beef prices declined.

Vancouver

All items: January to February 1978, up 0.4%; February 1977 to February 1978, up 7.2%.

Main contributors: higher charges for both owned and rented accommodation; increased prices for new cars. Prices up for fresh produce and pork while beef prices declined.

(see table on pages 4-5)

Tuberculosis Statistics, 1976 — Advance Information

Tuberculosis incidence of new active and reactivated cases for 1976 totalled 3,143 (3,551 in 1975). The rate per 100,000 population was 13.7 compared with 15.6 in 1975. Of 3,143 tuberculosis cases reported, 1,014 concerned immigrants. In 1975, of 3,551 tuberculosis sufferers, 1,015 were immigrants.

Pending publication of *Tuberculosis Statistics: Morbidity and Mortality, Facilities and Services, 1976* (82-212, \$2.10), advance information is available from A. Bourdon (613-995-0864), Vital Statistics and Disease Registries Section, Health Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables, January 1978

Advance information on the canned and frozen fruits and vegetables for January is now available.

For further information, order the January issue of *Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables* (32-011, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Electric Power Statistics, December 1977 — Advance Information

In December, net generation increased to 32.3 TW.h from 29.5 TW.h in December 1976. Hydro generation increased 11.8%, thermal production 5.3%.

For further information, order the December 1977 issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Veneer and Plywood Industry, 1976 — Advance Information

Establishments classified within the veneer and plywood industry shipped \$583.8 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 27.5% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 32.1% to \$270.1 million, the number of employees increased 2.1% to 13,003, and total salaries and wages increased 17.5% to \$171.3 million.

For further information, contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-5140), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Veneer and Plywood Mills, 1976* (35-206, 70¢).

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.**

	All items	Food	Hous- ing	Cloth- ing	Trans- porta- tion (1971=100)	Health and personal care	Recre- ation education and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
St. John's								
February 1978 index	172.8	206.3	169.8	140.7	163.4	168.6	140.0	150.6
January 1978 index	171.8	203.9	169.9	139.0	162.1	167.3	140.2	150.8
% change from January 1978	0.6	1.2	-0.1	1.2	0.8	0.8	-0.1	-0.1
% change from February 1977	7.9	11.8	7.4	7.2	5.1	5.2	3.6	7.0
Halifax								
February 1978 index	163.0	189.9	160.5	135.3	161.5	154.1	138.8	143.2
January 1978 index	162.0	188.7	159.6	133.9	160.2	152.5	139.1	142.9
% change from January 1978	0.6	0.6	0.6	1.0	0.8	1.0	-0.2	0.2
% change from February 1977	8.3	10.7	10.5	3.9	4.5	9.4	3.3	5.8
Saint John								
February 1978 index	166.4	197.9	162.6	134.5	160.4	166.3	152.3	137.8
January 1978 index	165.3	194.9	162.0	134.6	159.6	164.4	152.6	136.7
% change from January 1978	0.7	1.5	0.4	-0.1	0.5	1.2	-0.2	0.8
% change from February 1977	8.2	11.4	9.0	4.3	6.4	7.6	2.4	4.6
Quebec City								
February 1978 index	163.9	195.5	156.4	139.1	160.6	157.6	143.8	149.6
January 1978 index	162.7	192.7	156.0	137.2	159.8	155.8	143.8	149.8
% change from January 1978	0.7	1.5	0.3	1.4	0.5	1.2	0.0	-0.1
% change from February 1977	8.0	10.6	8.0	6.0	6.2	9.1	3.5	7.2
Montreal								
February 1978 index	165.5	195.1	153.5	151.3	160.6	162.1	149.3	153.1
January 1978 index	164.2	193.2	152.9	149.8	159.2	159.3	149.2	151.3
% change from January 1978	0.8	1.0	0.4	1.0	0.9	1.8	0.1	1.2
% change from February 1977	8.3	10.4	8.9	7.6	5.0	9.2	4.1	8.3
Ottawa								
February 1978 index	165.9	189.2	161.6	155.4	157.9	158.7	142.2	153.2
January 1978 index	165.0	187.9	161.3	154.4	156.0	158.3	142.2	153.2
% change from January 1978	0.5	0.7	0.2	0.6	1.2	0.3	0.0	0.0
% change from February 1977	8.3	13.0	6.5	8.6	6.8	6.5	4.2	7.8
Toronto								
February 1978 index	164.8	191.0	159.2	142.6	157.9	167.0	146.3	149.8
January 1978 index	164.5	191.8	158.9	141.9	156.3	165.9	146.4	149.8
% change from January 1978	0.2	-0.4	0.2	0.5	1.0	0.7	-0.1	0.0
% change from February 1977	8.3	12.4	7.8	7.5	5.9	6.1	4.6	7.2
Thunder Bay								
February 1978 index	167.3	193.8	165.0	138.8	166.6	166.8	145.6	148.4
January 1978 index	167.1	193.3	164.6	137.5	167.4	166.3	145.8	147.9
% change from January 1978	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.9	-0.5	0.3	-0.1	0.3
% change from February 1977	8.7	14.7	6.9	7.6	6.0	9.2	5.4	7.5
Winnipeg								
February 1978 index	169.8	196.5	173.6	145.1	157.5	163.6	143.8	147.2
January 1978 index	168.0	193.7	171.6	143.7	156.0	162.7	143.8	146.9
% change from January 1978	1.1	1.4	1.2	1.0	1.0	0.6	0.0	0.2
% change from February 1977	8.6	13.5	8.3	6.6	6.9	4.9	4.4	4.6
Saskatoon**								
February 1978 index	164.8	187.0	162.8	147.8	155.1	153.3	159.2	150.2
January 1978 index	164.4	188.4	162.0	146.1	154.1	151.2	159.3	150.1
% change from January 1978	0.2	-0.7	0.5	1.2	0.6	1.4	-0.1	0.1
% change from February 1977	9.2	11.3	9.0	6.9	10.2	5.4	5.1	10.8
Regina**								
February 1978 index	168.3	187.4	168.4	145.9	160.2	163.0	162.6	151.2
January 1978 index	167.2	184.7	168.1	145.3	159.2	160.2	162.7	150.4
% change from January 1978	0.7	1.5	0.2	0.4	0.6	1.7	-0.1	0.5
% change from February 1977	10.2	13.0	9.7	7.7	11.6	7.2	4.9	10.2

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada (continued)

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.**

	All items	Food	Hous- ing	Cloth- ing (1971=100)	Trans- porta- tion	Health and personal care	Recre- ation education and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
Edmonton**								
February 1978 index	168.5	189.7	175.3	147.4	161.8	152.5	146.4	141.2
January 1978 index	167.8	191.8	173.5	145.6	159.3	152.6	146.5	140.7
% change from January 1978	0.4	-1.1	1.0	1.2	1.6	-0.1	-0.1	0.4
% change from February 1977	9.3	15.7	8.5	7.9	6.2	8.0	4.7	6.8
Calgary**								
February 1978 index	165.5	183.5	167.1	150.0	159.9	156.5	149.1	142.8
January 1978 index	164.1	183.0	165.3	147.2	158.5	156.5	149.1	142.3
% change from January 1978	0.9	0.3	1.1	1.9	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.4
% change from February 1977	8.5	12.9	7.7	6.5	6.9	6.5	4.9	6.1
Vancouver								
February 1978 index	168.7	194.7	165.8	147.2	162.6	160.5	141.5	147.5
January 1978 index	168.0	193.4	165.1	147.0	161.5	161.4	141.5	147.1
% change from January 1978	0.4	0.7	0.4	0.1	0.7	-0.6	0.0	0.3
% change from February 1977	7.2	10.1	8.2	5.4	3.2	6.3	5.4	7.0

* For inter-city indexes of retail price differentials refer to Table 14 of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 50¢/\$5.50).

** The indexes for the cities of Saskatoon, Regina, Edmonton and Calgary supersede, as of January 1975, the combined cities series of Saskatoon-Regina and Edmonton-Calgary. For further details see *Retail Prices and Living Costs Service Bulletin* (Statistics Canada Catalogue No. 62-005, Vol. 3, No. 5).

Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, January 1978 — Advance Information

The preliminary estimate of manufacturers' shipments in January 1978, seasonally adjusted, was \$9,666.0 million, 0.1% higher than the revised December 1977 value of \$9,660.7 million. Durable goods industries shipments rose 1.2% to \$4,475.2 million from \$4,423.9 million, non-durable goods shipments dropped 0.9% to \$5,190.8 million from \$5,236.8 million.

New orders in all manufacturing industries, seasonally adjusted, rose 2.6% to \$9,758.9 million in January 1978 from \$9,513.6 million for revised December 1977. Durable goods new orders rose 7.8% to \$4,574.1 million from \$4,243.6 million, non-durable goods new orders dropped 1.6% to \$5,184.8 million from \$5,270.0 million.

Unfilled orders in January 1978 were estimated at \$10,769.1 million, 0.9% higher than the revised December 1977 value of \$10,676.2 million.

Total inventory owned, seasonally adjusted, was estimated at \$18,574.8 million, 0.4% higher than the revised December 1977 value of \$18,507.8 million. Total inventory held rose 0.4% to \$19,703.5 million from \$19,631.4 million with increases of 0.3% and 1.0% in goods in process and finished products and a 0.1% decrease in raw materials. The ratio of total inventory owned to shipments, seasonally adjusted, was 1.92:1,

the same as the revised December 1977 ratio. The finished products to shipments ratio was 0.67:1, up from the revised December 1977 ratio of 0.66:1.

Not adjusted for seasonal variation, manufacturers' shipments in January 1978 were estimated at \$9,000.7 million, 1.7% below the revised December value of \$9,159.0 million.

For further information, order the January issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact Mr. H.D. Wightman (613-996-7008), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

(see tables on page 6)

Estimated Value of Shipments, Inventories and Orders in All Manufacturing Industries

(Based on 1974 Census of Manufacturers Benchmarks)

	Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
	Jan. 1978p	Dec. 1977r	Nov. 1977	Jan. 1977
	(\$ millions)			
Shipments: Total	9,000.7	9,159.0	9,828.4	7,949.6
Non-durable	4,833.7	5,061.4	5,233.2	4,287.0
Durable	4,167.0	4,097.6	4,595.2	3,662.6
New Orders: Total	9,142.4	9,081.4	9,988.0	8,230.7
Non-durable	4,847.4	5,075.2	5,231.2	4,360.5
Durable	4,294.9	4,006.3	4,756.8	3,870.2
Unfilled Orders: Total	10,853.5	10,711.8	10,789.4	9,805.1
Non-durable	1,493.4	1,479.7	1,465.9	1,434.8
Durable	9,360.0	9,232.1	9,323.5	8,370.2
Inventory Owned: Total	18,717.3	18,472.7	18,388.8	17,241.3
Inventory Held: Total	19,842.0	19,574.0	19,529.2	18,219.0
Raw materials	7,923.3	8,007.8	7,870.5	7,426.1
Goods in process	5,437.2	5,306.3	5,323.0	4,816.7
Finished Products	6,481.5	6,260.0	6,335.7	5,976.3
	Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Shipments: Total	9,666.0	9,660.7	9,307.8	8,681.8
Non-durable	5,190.8	5,236.8	5,017.3	4,680.7
Durable	4,475.2	4,423.9	4,290.5	4,001.1
New Orders: Total	9,758.9	9,513.6	9,482.4	8,865.5
Non-durable	5,184.8	5,270.0	5,039.7	4,731.9
Durable	4,574.1	4,243.6	4,442.7	4,133.6
Unfilled Orders: Total	10,769.1	10,676.2	10,823.3	9,705.5
Non-durable	1,518.8	1,524.8	1,491.6	1,453.1
Durable	9,250.3	9,151.4	9,331.7	8,252.1
Inventory Owned: Total	18,574.8	18,507.8	18,573.1	17,137.9
Inventory Held: Total	19,703.5	19,631.4	19,702.9	18,130.4
Raw materials	7,842.3	7,853.3	7,878.4	7,351.4
Goods in process	5,399.1	5,380.7	5,291.9	4,807.6
Finished products	6,462.1	6,397.4	6,532.6	5,971.4
Ratio of Total Inventory Owned to Shipments	1.92	1.92	2.00	1.97
Ratio of Finished Products to Shipments	0.67	0.66	0.70	0.69

Estimated Value of Shipments of Own Manufacture by Province of Origin

	Not Seasonally Adjusted					
	Jan. 1977p	Dec. 1977r	% change	Jan.-Dec. 1977	Jan.-Dec. 1976	% change
	(\$ millions)			(\$ millions)		
Newfoundland	51.5	59.2	-13.0	661.1	585.9	12.8
Nova Scotia	187.5	201.2	-6.8	2,221.1	1,978.8	22.4
New Brunswick	166.1	180.3	-7.9	2,100.5	1,859.4	13.0
Quebec	2,383.6	2,452.1	-2.8	28,145.0	25,791.6	9.1
Ontario	4,471.3	4,534.9	-1.4	55,880.5	50,291.4	11.1
Manitoba	228.0	244.2	-6.6	2,928.6	2,748.2	6.6
Saskatchewan	104.7	101.2	3.4	1,355.4	1,218.5	11.2
Alberta	521.7	504.0	3.5	6,115.8	5,273.4	16.0
British Columbia	874.0	869.4	0.5	10,224.1	8,718.6	17.3
Canada*	9,000.7	9,159.0	-1.7	109,776.1	98,597.3	11.3

*Includes Prince Edward Island, the Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

NOTE: Figures may not add due to rounding.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

March 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	Mar. 17/78 This week	Mar. 10/78 Week ago	Feb. 17/78 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	99.7	97.8	96.8
Industrials	85	93.2	90.8	90.1
Foods	9	106.5	105.5	101.1
Alcoholic beverages	5	86.9	85.7	81.9
Textiles and clothing	3	130.7	125.5	122.8
Pulp and paper	7	122.9	116.9	115.4
Printing and publishing	5	103.4	102.4	95.6
Primary metals	4	102.1	101.2	98.5
Industrial mines	6	64.6	61.7	63.1
Metal fabricating	9	160.4	158.7	159.3
Non-metallic minerals	4	99.2	96.6	97.6
Petroleum	8	100.3	98.5	97.4
Chemicals	5	107.2	107.0	105.3
Construction	5	270.2	266.5	270.6
Trade	15	81.0	78.5	79.8
Utilities and services	28	103.9	103.4	102.0
Transportation	6	129.0	127.4	127.0
Pipelines	5	88.9	89.2	88.8
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	111.9	108.3	107.1
Telephone	4	109.2	109.7	107.2
Electric power	3	139.3	139.5	133.4
Gas distribution	5	85.5	84.2	82.8
Finances	21	125.8	124.4	122.7
Banks	8	126.9	126.2	124.2
Investment and loan	9	118.9	116.5	115.4
Insurance	4	146.2	139.0	137.2
Mining Index	17	121.4	122.3	125.8
Gold	9	271.3	275.9	280.7
Base metals	8	49.6	48.7	51.6
Uraniums	2	186.0	183.6	186.7
Primary oils and gas index	5	135.3	133.1	127.8

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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A Handbook of Canadian Social Indicators

The second edition of *Perspective Canada*, a compendium of social statistics, is still available.

The publication is 340 pages long and contains 345 tables, charts and maps. The topics: population, the changing family, the older Canadians, health, education, work, leisure, income, consumption, urban profiles of Montreal, Toronto and Vancouver, quality of the environment, housing, bilingualism, native peoples, crime and justice.

Perspective Canada II, 1977 (catalogue no. 11-508, \$9.25 in Canada, \$11.00 abroad) provides a notable array of significant social indicators and will be welcomed by a wide variety of interests.

Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

	Jan. 1978f	Dec. 1977p	Nov. 1977r	Jan. 1977
	(\$ millions)			
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture	57.7	66.4	77.9	48.9
Forestry	93.2	103.6	110.7	83.7
Mining	242.2	244.6	246.2	229.1
Manufacturing	2,083.3	2,097.4	2,123.0	1,934.4
Construction	611.2	701.4	797.7	613.9
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	971.7	977.3	980.8	894.3
Trade	1,218.4	1,288.6	1,236.9	1,159.7
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	614.0	608.8	604.3	548.8
Service	771.8	778.0	775.9	703.6
Public Administration and Defence(1)	862.7	875.3	853.3	764.0
Total, Wages and Salaries(2)	9,159.6	9,376.9	9,431.9	8,480.4
Supplementary Labour Income	750.9	768.6	773.1	691.2
Total, Labour Income(2)	9,910.5	10,145.5	10,205.0	9,171.6
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture	89.4	91.4	89.5	76.2
Forestry	103.0	116.6	104.6	92.6
Mining	243.2	244.7	243.6	230.1
Manufacturing	2,129.4	2,131.1	2,110.7	1,977.0
Construction	722.9	816.0	761.2	727.1
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	990.3	993.4	989.7	911.7
Trade	1,242.3	1,246.7	1,210.4	1,182.4
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	618.8	618.0	614.7	552.9
Service	794.4	795.2	784.8	724.3
Public Administration and Defence(1)	875.9	885.3	867.2	775.8
Total, Wages and Salaries(2)	9,381.6	9,526.3	9,345.7	8,689.0
Supplementary Labour Income	770.6	780.5	766.5	709.4
Total, Labour Income(2)	10,152.3	10,306.8	10,112.2	9,398.4

f First estimates.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

(1) Excludes military pay and allowances.

(2) Includes fishing and trapping.

Estimates of Labour Income, January 1978 — Advance Information

Labour income, January, has been estimated at \$9.9 billion. Compared with January last year, labour income increased by \$739 million (8.1%). Wages and salaries, seasonally adjusted, declined by \$145 million to \$9.4 billion between December and January. Most of this decrease came in construction where the decline was \$93 million.

Detailed estimates will be published in the January-March issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-005, \$1.05/\$4.20), or can be obtained from Mrs. G. Gauthier (613-995-8067), Labour Income Section, Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

Railway Carloadings, February 1978 — Advance Information.

Railways in Canada loaded 18.2 million short tons (16.5 million t) of revenue freight in February, a gain of 3.8% over the corresponding 1977 month. Traffic

received from the United States totalled 1.6 million short tons (1.5 million t), a decline of 8.5%.

Commodity loadings recording significant percentage increases in volume over the preceding February included: potash (33.0%); sulphur (31.9%); iron ore (20.1%) and pulpwood chips (16.7%). Decreases were noted for wheat (41.8%) and salt (45.2%).

For the first two months of 1978 freight loadings were 5.9% higher than the same period last year, while receipts from U.S. connections were down 14.1%. Some significant year-to-date volume gains were: alumina, 100.1%; animal and poultry feed, 70.1%; and grains other than wheat, 33.8%. Cumulative loadings of wheat were down 26.3%.

For further information, order the January issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-001, 30¢/\$3) or, for seasonally-adjusted revenue freight loadings, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Charlottetown, Moncton, Saint John and Sydney by calling the operator and asking for ZENITH 22066. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes

February 1978 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Feb. 1977	% Change	
				Feb./78 Jan./78	Feb./78 Feb./77
Canada, Total	183.6	181.9	188.3	1.0	9.1
Materials	174.7	172.0	159.0	1.6	9.9
Labour	199.5	199.5	184.8	—	8.0
Atlantic Provinces, Total	193.1	192.0	179.5	0.5	7.6
Materials	176.8	175.2	163.6	0.9	8.1
Labour	221.2	221.2	207.0	—	6.9
Quebec, Total	186.5	184.7	168.6	1.0	10.6
Materials	181.0	178.3	162.9	1.5	11.1
Labour	196.8	196.8	179.2	—	9.8
Ontario, Total	177.3	175.6	163.6	1.0	8.4
Materials	169.3	166.6	155.4	1.6	8.9
Labour	191.0	191.0	177.8	—	7.4
Prairie Provinces, Total	194.6	192.0	177.1	1.4	9.9
Materials	180.4	176.5	161.1	2.3	12.0
Labour	222.1	222.1	208.2	—	6.7
British Columbia, Total	183.0	181.7	167.7	0.7	9.1
Materials	175.0	173.0	160.5	1.1	9.0
Labour	197.2	197.2	180.4	—	9.3

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mrs. G.A. John (613-994-5807), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

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Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics, January 1978 (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Quarterly Shipments of Office Furniture Products, Quarter Ended December 31, 1977 (35-006, 35¢/\$1.40)

Distilled Beverage Spirits and Industrial Ethyl Alcohol, January 1978 (32-021, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Specified Domestic Electrical Appliances, January 1978 (43-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Urban Transit, January 1978 (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Production of Canada's Leading Minerals, January 1978 (26-007, 15¢/\$1.50)

Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products, February 1978 (32-022, 15¢/\$1.50)

Employment, Earnings and Hours, Advance Data

January 1978

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Employment Index Number						Seasonally adjusted			
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations									
	Jan. 1978f	Dec. 1977p	Nov. 1977p	Oct. 1977r	Jan. 1977	Dec. 1976	Jan. 1978f	Dec. 1977p	Nov. 1977p	Oct. 1977r
	1961=100									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	66.9	77.5	83.7	89.1	65.4	72.0	75.8	83.9	80.4	79.7
Mining, including milling	118.5	119.4	121.7	122.1	119.7	119.3	119.5	120.0	121.4	123.0
Manufacturing	122.9	123.0	126.2	127.3	123.5	124.6	126.0	125.5	126.0	125.6
Durable Goods	135.0	135.7	138.7	139.4	136.1	137.7	137.3	137.2	137.3	137.3
Non-durable Goods	113.1	112.6	116.0	117.6	113.3	114.1	116.4	116.2	116.7	116.6
Construction	90.0	100.5	113.3	120.5	96.8	103.7	104.7	111.2	108.4	108.4
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	125.8	127.2	128.4	131.9	126.0	127.7	129.4	129.8	128.9	131.4
Trade	168.7	174.4	174.5	171.7	170.4	178.3	169.8	167.8	167.8	168.3
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	195.9	196.3	197.3	196.8	189.4	188.6	197.4	196.9	197.4	196.9
Service	246.1	247.8	253.8	254.7	235.8	238.6	256.1	256.5	256.2	253.3
Industrial Composite	140.1	142.3	145.4	146.7	140.0	142.8	144.2	144.0	144.0	144.4
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	124.2	127.2	132.0	133.6	121.6	127.4	125.7	132.0	130.3	129.5
Newfoundland	122.5	124.6	131.8	135.3	120.1	129.4	134.6	129.5	128.7	129.0
Prince Edward Island	138.3	145.1	151.4	155.3	129.0	137.9	158.0	155.3	151.9	147.8
Nova Scotia	124.9	127.7	130.6	130.2	121.4	124.9	130.3	130.1	129.3	127.7
New Brunswick	123.2	126.7	132.0	134.6	122.2	128.2	132.0	132.2	130.8	131.5
Quebec	122.6	124.7	127.2	128.9	125.0	127.2	126.3	126.6	125.5	126.6
Ontario	145.3	147.2	150.3	150.6	144.0	146.5	148.7	148.4	148.9	148.5
Prairie Region	154.5	157.0	160.7	161.8	153.2	156.1	159.3	159.2	159.9	159.8
Manitoba	120.0	122.4	125.5	127.2	122.4	124.9	123.2	123.9	124.5	125.8
Saskatchewan	138.1	140.9	144.1	144.6	138.8	142.3	143.6	143.3	143.0	142.2
Alberta	190.1	192.6	197.0	197.9	184.9	188.0	196.4	194.9	196.5	195.7
British Columbia	162.4	166.1	169.4	173.3	164.8	167.9	167.4	168.6	169.3	171.7
Yukon	189.0	193.4	193.5	202.0	173.9	173.9	205.3	201.2	197.9	202.6
Northwest Territories	136.7	140.2	143.1	146.8	143.7	145.2	150.7	156.0	152.4	151.4
Canada	140.1	142.3	145.4	146.7	140.0	142.8	144.2	144.0	144.0	144.4

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Employment, Earnings and Hours, Seasonally Adjusted, January 1978 — Advance Information

The first estimates of the Canadian industrial composite* index of employment (1961=100) for January 1978 increased 0.1%. Manufacturing, trade and finance, insurance and real estate posted gains while the remaining industry divisions showed decreases. Ontario and the Prairie region registered increases but the other industry divisions recorded losses.

Average weekly earnings regressed 1.4% at the national industrial composite level in January. All industry divisions except forestry, which increased,

and trade, which did not vary, contributed to the overall decrease. At the regional level, all regions declined with the exception of British Columbia, which advanced.

The average weekly hours of hourly-rated wage-earners and their average hourly earnings decreased in manufacturing, mining (including milling) and construction.

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Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted				
	Jan. 1978f	Dec. 1977p	Nov. 1977p	Oct. 1977r	Jan. 1977	Dec. 1976	Jan. 1978f	Dec. 1977p	Nov. 1977p	Oct. 1977r
	dollars									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	346.92	247.88	332.55	333.52	316.35	240.51	342.06	279.24	326.35	326.95
Mining, including milling	364.21	361.60	362.40	358.13	339.26	334.14	359.96	361.64	357.57	355.43
Manufacturing	273.98	272.45	275.48	274.57	255.65	250.36	272.59	277.53	273.86	271.48
Durable Goods	289.74	291.53	296.40	296.11	271.28	266.30	288.64	299.47	293.61	290.42
Non-durable Goods	258.84	253.98	255.02	254.04	240.53	234.86	257.91	256.83	255.07	254.17
Construction	365.89	347.29	381.89	396.58	344.21	310.11	368.25	389.38	374.73	380.52
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	300.83	298.45	298.66	297.25	280.44	274.23	298.18	300.58	299.92	297.52
Trade	195.41	196.63	192.35	194.01	182.28	184.29	198.10	198.10	195.80	195.22
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	238.37	236.75	235.36	233.04	220.64	218.93	237.99	238.32	238.82	235.61
Service	174.93	175.18	173.39	173.97	166.87	165.61	173.82	176.40	174.28	174.23
Industrial Composite	255.47	253.02	256.34	257.53	239.34	233.99	255.60	259.16	256.16	255.46
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	228.54	222.62	225.83	225.64	217.54	208.96	226.48	227.91	226.99	225.30
Newfoundland	248.24	240.40	246.80	246.64	238.13	227.20	245.64	248.78	248.39	245.05
Prince Edward Island	192.29	192.03	190.91	192.82	187.23	175.96				
Nova Scotia	218.02	213.13	216.59	216.06	204.01	199.42	216.03	218.68	218.56	217.23
New Brunswick	232.43	226.03	226.96	226.61	223.55	211.47	227.29	228.98	227.41	226.56
Quebec	253.78	249.47	252.59	253.44	233.74	230.07	253.98	254.80	251.93	251.30
Ontario	252.87	253.59	256.18	257.12	237.92	233.74	252.84	259.53	255.95	254.63
Prairie Region	252.83	249.64	251.14	253.74	237.86	231.46	253.54	254.94	251.69	252.75
Manitoba	229.95	229.55	226.93	231.54	219.07	215.66	231.90	233.24	228.62	231.03
Saskatchewan	240.55	239.44	239.05	243.13	224.59	224.69	241.93	241.47	239.07	241.61
Alberta	268.59	263.40	267.53	268.88	252.37	242.37	268.86	271.18	267.37	267.94
British Columbia	290.27	281.46	291.49	292.48	272.59	262.23	291.11	289.78	289.03	289.35
Yukon	347.15	349.09	343.44	362.79	340.34	321.31				
Northwest Territories	296.79	292.85	303.06	327.47	287.91	285.31				
Canada	255.47	253.02	256.34	257.53	239.34	233.99	255.60	259.16	256.16	255.46

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* Industrial composite is the sum of all industries with the exception of agriculture, fishing and trapping, education and related services, health and welfare services, religious organizations, private households and public administration and defence. All statistics are based on returns received from employers having 20 or more employees in any month of the year. Notes on concepts and methods can be found in any issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours*, Catalogue No. 72-002. Detailed information for November and December will be published in the January issue of Catalogue No. 72-002 and is also available from Mr. R. Ouellette (613-992-5613), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

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General Review of the Mineral Industries, 1975 — Advance Information

For mineral industries, total value in 1975 was \$9,750,032,000, an increase of 9% from \$8,929,981,000 in 1974.

For further information, order the 1975 issue of *General Review of the Mineral Industries* (26-201, \$1.05), or contact Art Symons (613-992-4091), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, December 1977 — Advance Information

Crude petroleum production for the month of December 1977 amounted to 1,723,000 barrels/day, up 1.1% from 1,704,000 barrels/day in December 1976. Natural gas production for the same period averaged 11,309,000 Mcf./day, an increase of 7.8% from 10,487,000 Mcf./day in the previous year.

For further information, order the December issue of *Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production* (26-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Hours and Average Hourly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations						Seasonally adjusted			
	Jan. 1978f	Dec. 1977p	Nov. 1977p	Oct. 1977r	Jan. 1977	Dec. 1976	Jan. 1978f	Dec. 1977p	Nov. 1977p	Oct. 1977r
	number									
Average Weekly Hours:										
Canada:										
Mining, including milling	41.1	40.5	41.0	40.9	41.0	40.5	40.6	40.7	40.3	40.5
Manufacturing	37.8	37.9	39.0	39.1	38.5	38.2	37.8	39.2	38.6	38.7
Durable Goods	38.2	38.7	40.0	40.1	39.1	39.0	38.1	40.2	39.5	39.4
Non-durable Goods	37.4	37.0	37.9	38.0	37.9	37.3	37.4	38.1	37.6	37.7
Construction	36.4	35.0	39.0	40.6	37.2	34.1	37.3	39.7	38.9	39.1
Building	35.2	34.9	37.3	38.4	36.5	33.9	35.5	38.5	36.9	37.3
Engineering	39.0	35.4	42.2	44.2	39.0	34.5	40.3	41.9	42.2	42.1
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	38.3	36.3	37.5	37.4	38.1	37.3	37.8	37.8	37.7	37.7
Quebec	38.7	38.1	39.5	39.5	39.0	38.3	38.7	39.7	39.0	38.8
Ontario	37.5	38.6	39.7	39.8	38.8	38.7	37.5	39.9	39.3	39.2
Prairie Region	36.7	36.6	36.8	37.6	37.5	37.0	36.7	37.2	36.5	37.2
British Columbia	36.8	35.5	36.6	36.2	38.8	36.2	36.3	36.2	36.3	36.2
	dollars									
Average Hourly Earnings:										
Canada:										
Mining, including milling	8.38	8.49	8.43	8.35	7.84	7.85	8.39	8.43	8.40	8.32
Manufacturing	6.63	6.62	6.57	6.55	6.11	6.02	6.63	6.64	6.58	6.52
Durable Goods	7.05	7.06	7.03	7.02	6.50	6.37	7.05	7.12	7.03	6.97
Non-durable Goods	6.19	6.14	6.08	6.05	5.70	5.63	6.18	6.13	6.11	6.08
Construction	10.21	9.91	10.04	10.05	9.44	8.96	10.07	10.07	9.87	9.96
Building	10.05	9.96	10.03	10.05	9.26	8.97	9.99	10.14	9.88	9.95
Engineering	10.54	9.81	10.05	10.06	9.84	8.93	10.40	10.06	9.87	10.01
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	6.03	6.05	5.96	5.93	5.74	5.58	5.91	5.88	5.98	5.91
Quebec	6.04	5.97	5.96	5.92	5.49	5.40	6.05	6.01	5.96	5.94
Ontario	6.67	6.72	6.65	6.65	6.19	6.10	6.67	6.75	6.65	6.63
Prairie Region	6.68	6.64	6.62	6.67	6.12	6.12	6.73	6.66	6.59	6.62
British Columbia	8.72	8.64	8.63	8.55	8.37	7.95	8.68	8.57	8.62	8.53

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Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile, February 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 3,352 short tons (3,041 t) or 6,780,906 square feet (629 967 m²) of vinyl-asbestos floor tile in February 1978, compared with 4,280 short tons (3,883 t) or 8,616,579 square feet (800 506 m²) in 1977.

For further information, order the February issue of *Production and Shipments of Floor Tiles* (47-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Gypsum Mines, 1976 — Advance Information

For gypsum mines total value added in 1976 was \$15,752,596, an increase of 6% from \$14,850,739 in 1975.

For further information, order the 1976 issue of *Gypsum Mines* (26-221, 70¢), or contact Art Symons (613-992-4091), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ended March 14

	Eastern* Division	Western* Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	2,090,476	2,200,949	4,291,425
Short tons, 1977	2,450,377	2,051,696	4,502,073
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 896 448	1 996 667	3 893 115
Metric tonnes, 1977	2 222 945	1 861 267	4 084 212
% change	-14.7	7.3	-4.7
Cars, 1978	38,586	32,991	71,577
Cars, 1977	41,382	31,200	72,582
% change	-6.8	5.7	-1.4
Piggyback traffic**:			
Short tons, 1978	181,523	60,575	242,098
Short tons, 1977	169,372	59,372	228,744
Metric tonnes, 1978	164 675	54 953	219 628
Metric tonnes, 1977	153 652	53 861	207 513
% change	7.2	2.0	5.8
Cars, 1978	5,407	2,444	7,851
Cars, 1977	5,223	2,545	7,768
% change	3.5	-4.0	1.1
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	24,396,611	20,974,877	45,371,488
Short tons, 1977	22,516,148	20,908,461	43,424,609
Metric tonnes, 1978	22 132 233	19 028 088	41 160 321
Metric tonnes, 1977	20 426 306	18 967 837	39 394 143
% change	8.4	0.3	4.5
Cars, 1978	395,609	316,804	712,413
Cars, 1977	378,163	317,871	696,034
% change	4.6	-0.3	2.4
Piggyback traffic**:			
Short tons, 1978	1,706,381	589,280	2,295,661
Short tons, 1977	1,591,334	562,521	2,153,855
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 548 003	534 586	2 082 589
Metric tonnes, 1977	1 443 634	510 310	1 953 944
% change	7.2	4.8	6.6
Cars, 1978	50,544	23,972	74,516
Cars, 1977	48,009	24,301	72,310
% change	5.3	-1.4	3.1

*The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

**Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

***All 1977 figures have been revised — 1978 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended March 14, 1978 —
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Canadian railway freight loadings totalled 3.9 million t (4.3 million short tons) in the above seven days, a decrease of 4.7% from the same period last year. Eastern traffic declined 14.7%, western traffic increased 7.3%. The number of cars loaded totalled 71,577, a decrease of 1.4% from 1977.

Trailer-container (piggyback) traffic rose 5.8% due to a 7.2% increase in the east and 2.0% in the west.

From January 1 to March 14, railways loaded 41.2 million t (45.4 million short tons), an increase of 4.5% over 1977. The carload count increased 2.4%. Cumulative container-trailer (piggyback) traffic registered a gain of 6.6% in tonnage.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Wool Yarn and Cloth Mills, 1976 — Advance Information

Wool yarn and cloth mills shipped \$170.3 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 6.2% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 3.7% to \$80.1 million, the number of employees decreased 10% to 5,171 and total salaries and wages increased 2.5% to \$48.3 million.

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Wool Yarn and Cloth Mills* (24-209, 70¢).

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

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Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Charlottetown, Moncton, Saint John and Sydney by calling the operator and asking for ZENITH 22066. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

Key Economic Series, April 1978

During the coming month, the release of Key Economic Series data is expected to be in accordance with the schedule outlined below. Where a range of dates is given for a series, this represents the period within which publication of the data can be reasonably expected, the variability taking account of circumstances peculiar to each series. Any range may be exceeded on rare occasions, for reasons unpredictable at this time.

April 10 to April 13: Retail Trade, February;

April 11: Labour Force Survey, March;

April 11 to April 24: Industrial Selling Price Index, February;

April 12: Consumer Price Index (National), March;

April 14 to April 19: Index of Industrial Production, February;

April 17 to April 26: Wholesale Price Index, February;

April 18 to April 19: Wholesale Trade, February;

April 18 to April 20: Consumer Credit, February;

April 18 to April 20: Inventories Shipments and Orders, February;

April 20: Consumer Price Index (Regional), March;

April 21 to April 26: Real Domestic Product, February;

April 21 to April 27: Employment Earning and Hours, February;

April 23 to April 27: Labour Income, February;

April 24 to April 28: Unemployment Insurance, February;

April 28: Preliminary Statement on Canadian Trade, March.

Due to unforeseen problems, no release dates are currently available for the January issue of *Building Permits*.

Notice of advance information availability: Financial Flows, 4th quarter 1977, advance information #2, April 10 to April 14, 1978; Field Crop Reporting Series #2, intended acreage of principle field crop — publication released, and available — April 7, 1978 at 3 p.m. E.S.T.; Field Crop Reporting Series #3, stocks of grain at March 31, 1978 — publication released and available April 21, 1978 at 3 p.m. E.S.T.

The May schedule of the Key Economic Indicators Series will appear in *The Daily* on April 26, 1978.

For any inquiry concerning the release of these series, contact Mr. Jack Kerr (613-992-1548), Production, Planning and Scheduling, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended March 25, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended March 25 totals 307,976 short tons (279 391 t), an increase of 2.2% from the preceding week's total of 301,472 short tons (273 491 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was 307,115 short tons (278 610 t). The index of production, based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100, was 168.1 in the current week, 164.5 a week earlier and 167.6 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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A Handbook on Social Security in the 1970s

Social Security, National Programs, 1978 — just released — provides a current look at the coverage, benefits, funding and statistics of social security programs, nationally, provincially and by regions.

A new section analyses historical trends in the population and looks ahead to the year 2031. A dramatic shift in the age mix of Canada is shown in the making.

Major uses of the 770-page study may be in personnel management, pension planning, actuarial work, labour negotiations, policy formulation, program planning and evaluation, provision of government program information and even social studies projects.

Order *Social Security, National Programs, 1978* (86-201, \$8.25 in Canada, \$9.90 elsewhere). For further information, contact H. Mimoto (613-995-0871), Chief, Social Security Statistics, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Inter-corporate Ownership, Volume I, Notes, Definitions and Index, 1975 (61-517, Canada \$36, Other Countries \$43.20)

Inter-corporate Ownership, Volume II, Who Owns Whom — Part 1, 1975 (61-517, Canada \$36, Other Countries \$43.20)

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Inter-corporate Ownership, Volume II, Who Owns Whom — Part 2, 1975 (61-517, Canada \$36, Other Countries \$43.20)

Social Security, National Programs, 1978 (86-201, \$8.25)

Imports by Commodities, December 1977 (65-007, 80¢/\$8)

Causes of Death, Provinces by Sex and Canada by Sex and Age, 1975 (84-203, \$2.80)

Shipments of Prepared Stock and Poultry Feeds, January 1978 (32-004, 40¢/\$4)

Stocks of Food Commodities in Cold Storage and Other Warehouses, 1977 (32-217, 70¢)

Motor Vehicle Manufacturers, 1976 (42-209, 70¢)

Asphalt Roofing, January 1978 (45-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Control and Ownership Described in the Canadian Corporate System

Inter-Corporate Ownership provides in three volumes a new comprehensive directory of who owns or controls whom in the Canadian corporate system. The publication has been prepared in response to increasing public interest about ownership and in support of efforts to analyse and evaluate the effects both of foreign investment in Canada and of corporate concentration generally. The new edition traces ownerships back to the ultimate owner. It includes ownerships by individuals and related groups and considers the effects of options, insider holdings, convertible shares and interlocking directorships in determining control. Order *Inter-Corporate Ownership* (61-517, \$36 in Canada, \$43.20 elsewhere). For further information, contact Mr. W.E. Krause (613-996-2571), Business Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Preliminary Report on Job Vacancies, Three Months Ended February 28, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates for the three-month period ended February 28 show a decrease in the average number of vacant jobs from the previous three-month period and from the comparable period a year earlier. Vacancies for full-time, part-time and casual jobs declined 17% to 36,800* from 44,400 vacancies reported in the September-November period. Compared with the three-month period a year ago the number of vacancies decreased by 1,900, or 5%.

Vacancies for full-time jobs decreased by 12% from the preceding period to 33,400. Longer-term vacancies (jobs unfilled for more than four weeks) declined 16% to 11,600.

For every 1,000 existing jobs in the latest three-month period four were vacant, a decrease of one from both the preceding period and the comparable period a year ago. The highest vacancy rates were observed in Alberta (nine per 1,000) and Manitoba (five per 1,000). The lowest rate (three per 1,000) occurred in Newfoundland and New Brunswick.

* The Job Vacancy Survey provides an estimate of the average number of vacancies available on any given day in a three-month period. The estimate of this three-month average is derived from six observations taken at regular intervals. Consequently, the survey does not cover those vacancies which occur and are filled between individual observations. In addition, the survey does not cover openings in agriculture, fishing, hunting, trapping and households. The Job Vacancy Survey is now being conducted by mail only — personal interviews have been discontinued to reduce costs. Henceforth, estimates

obtained from data collected by mail will be adjusted by a factor based on the measured effect of interviews on estimates produced over the past seven years. The data derived from the Job Vacancy Survey, taken over time, are consistent and reliable indicators of trends in job openings. For detailed definitions and design of the survey see Canadian Job Vacancy Survey, Technical Appendix, 1972 (71-521, 50¢).

(see table on next page)

Paper and Plastic Bag Manufacturers, 1975 — Advance Information

Manufacturers of paper and plastic bags shipped \$381.3 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 8.2% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 7.4% to \$149.3 million, the number of employees increased 1.9% to 6,780 and total salaries and wages increased 17.1% to \$80.9 million.

For further information, contact G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Paper and Plastic Bag Manufacturers*, (36-207, 70¢).

Weekly Security Price Indexes

March 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	Mar. 23/78 This week	Mar. 17/78 Week ago	Feb. 24/78 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	100.4	99.7	96.9
Industrials	85	94.0	93.2	90.0
Foods	9	107.3	106.5	103.0
Alcoholic beverages	5	88.9	86.9	81.8
Textiles and clothing	3	132.1	130.7	122.0
Pulp and paper	7	125.6	122.9	114.1
Printing and publishing	5	103.8	103.4	99.6
Primary metals	4	102.6	102.1	100.9
Industrial mines	6	65.0	64.6	61.8
Metal fabricating	9	159.9	160.4	157.4
Non-metallic minerals	4	100.3	99.2	96.4
Petroleum	8	100.9	100.3	98.1
Chemicals	5	106.1	107.2	106.5
Construction	5	273.2	270.2	270.5
Trade	15	82.2	81.0	78.9
Utilities and services	28	104.3	103.9	102.7
Transportation	6	129.7	129.0	126.7
Pipelines	5	89.0	88.9	89.0
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	116.8	111.9	106.8
Telephone	4	108.9	109.2	109.0
Electric power	3	139.2	139.3	135.3
Gas distribution	5	86.1	85.5	83.4
Finances	21	126.6	125.8	122.7
Banks	8	127.5	126.9	123.7
Investment and loan	9	119.6	118.9	116.8
Insurance	4	148.6	146.2	138.8
Mining Index	17	118.1	121.4	124.0
Gold	9	260.5	271.3	279.1
Base metals	8	49.9	49.6	49.7
Uranium	2	198.6	186.0	184.7
Primary oils and gas index	5	136.8	135.3	128.2

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

**Vacancy Rates for Part-time and Full-time Jobs
Canada and Provinces**

	Three month Periods Ending		
	Feb. 1978p	Nov. 1977	Feb. 1977
	(Rates per 1,000 jobs)		
Canada(1)	4	5	5
Atlantic Provinces(2)	3	3	3
Newfoundland	3	3	4
Nova Scotia	4	3	2
New Brunswick	3	3	3
Quebec	4	4	4
Ontario	4	6	4
Manitoba	5	4	4
Saskatchewan	4	5	6
Alberta	9	10	10
British Columbia	4	4	3

p Preliminary estimates.

(1) Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories.

(2) Includes Prince Edward Island.

For further information, contact Mr. J.A. Boucek (613-992-2006), or Ms. M. Beaubien (613-996-7148), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

The Dairy Review, February 1978 — Advance Information

An estimated 1,169,974,000 lbs. of milk were produced for all purposes in January 1978, 5.8% more than in January 1977 but 2.2% fewer than December 1977.

For further information, order the February issue of the *Dairy Review* (23-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Sales of Cement, February 1978 — Advance Information

Advance information on sales of cement as reported by Canadian producers for the month of February is now available.

For details, contact Gordon McWade (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Advance Estimates of Employees

January 1978

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Number of Employee									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations						Seasonally adjusted			
	Jan. 1978f	Dec. 1977p	Nov. 1977r	Oct. 1977r	Jan. 1977 (000's)	Dec. 1976	Jan. 1978f	Dec. 1977p	Nov. 1977r	Oct. 1977r
Industry Division										
Forestry	57.1	62.4	69.8	73.3	53.5	53.0	63.6	68.6	68.1	66.9
Mining (including milling)	137.5	137.9	141.9	142.3	136.5	136.3	139.6	139.2	141.9	142.6
Manufacturing	1,733.5	1,728.7	1,782.8	1,800.2	1,719.4	1,734.6	1,778.6	1,771.7	1,781.7	1,786.0
Construction	372.6	400.3	468.6	500.8	399.4	413.7	434.8	457.7	455.8	457.7
Transportation, Communicatic and Other Utilities	775.0	782.6	794.5	813.8	765.8	776.4	795.5	799.5	796.9	809.2
Trade	1,434.3	1,464.8	1,464.2	1,451.9	1,380.0	1,434.7	1,452.1	1,431.1	1,434.2	1,432.7
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	485.4	486.7	489.0	487.6	451.2	443.9	488.8	489.3	491.0	488.9
Total Service	2,533.1	2,508.3	2,558.4	2,538.1	2,397.9	2,365.6	2,526.5	2,528.9	2,530.1	2,506.0
Non-commercial Service	1,432.8	1,404.7	1,435.2	1,414.0	1,403.3	1,380.6	1,386.4	1,389.0	1,392.0	1,380.7
Commercial Service	1,100.3	1,103.6	1,123.2	1,124.1	994.6	985.0	1,140.1	1,139.9	1,138.1	1,125.3
Public Administration and Defence(1)	605.5	612.7	614.3	616.5	593.4	598.8	623.0	630.0	627.2	628.4
Total Non-agricultural Industries(2)	8,138.3	8,190.1	8,388.9	8,430.4	7,902.4	7,952.7	8,308.6	8,324.1	8,332.7	8,324.5
Total Non-agricultural Industries										
Newfoundland	123.2	124.8	130.3	134.2	118.8	123.9	130.1	129.4	128.4	130.3
Prince Edward Island	27.1	27.9	28.4	29.3	26.4	27.7	29.5	29.4	28.2	28.4
Nova Scotia	236.6	240.4	246.6	245.6	231.6	233.5	244.9	246.1	246.0	242.5
New Brunswick	180.9	184.7	192.0	194.6	176.5	177.7	191.0	192.5	191.6	191.1
Quebec	2,074.7	2,081.4	2,143.8	2,161.2	2,043.7	2,039.3	2,109.7	2,111.5	2,115.3	2,120.5
Ontario	3,284.5	3,305.6	3,378.1	3,379.9	3,181.2	3,198.7	3,347.9	3,356.2	3,363.7	3,349.2
Manitoba	337.9	338.8	350.6	354.5	335.5	339.8	343.9	343.9	348.8	350.7
Saskatchewan	247.7	252.3	255.7	255.4	243.6	250.8	252.8	256.5	255.1	253.5
Alberta	712.7	719.5	729.8	730.6	671.0	681.2	725.6	728.5	726.5	724.9
British Columbia	888.5	887.4	906.4	917.1	848.4	854.5	905.3	898.9	900.5	904.8
Canada(3)	8,138.3	8,190.1	8,388.9	8,430.4	7,902.4	7,952.7	8,308.6	8,324.1	8,332.7	8,324.5

f first estimate based on a limited number of returns

p preliminary figures

r revised figures

(1) Excludes military personnel

(2) Includes Fishing and Trapping

(3) Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories

Estimates of Employees, January 1978 — Advance Information

Monthly estimates of employment by province and industry for the period of 1961 to 1974 have been published in Catalogue No. 72-514. Revised and updated data from January 1961 to December 1976 will be included in a historical publication; this publication will be released in the near future.

Monthly summary data is released on a regular basis in *The Daily* and detailed monthly information is published in *Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry* (72-008, 40¢/\$4).

Data from 1961 to 1976 are available on request from Mr. G. Mahoney (613-992-3868), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

New Housing Price Indexes

(1976=100)

	Weights	February 1978	January 1978	February 1977	% change	
					Feb./78 Jan./78	Feb./78 Feb./77
St. John's	1.0	101.7	101.7	100.8	—	0.9
Halifax	1.7	102.2	102.2	102.3	—	-0.1
Quebec	3.6	114.8	114.9	107.5	-0.1	6.8
Montreal	9.5	106.0	106.6	104.5	-0.6	1.4
Ottawa—Hull	5.7	101.0	102.6	103.4	-1.6	-2.3
Toronto	21.2	99.7	99.7	99.1	—	0.6
Hamilton	4.2	104.0	104.0	100.8	—	3.2
St. Catharines-Niagara	2.3	112.6	112.4	105.9	0.2	6.3
Kitchener	2.9	102.0	102.0	100.5	—	1.5
London	2.4	108.3	108.3	101.9	—	6.3
Windsor	1.0	110.8	110.8	104.4	—	6.1
Thunder Bay	0.9	114.7	113.1	105.7	1.4	8.5
Winnipeg	3.7	107.2	107.2	105.0	—	2.1
Regina	2.3	97.6	97.4	100.7	0.2	-3.1
Saskatoon	1.9	111.9	111.9	105.8	—	5.8
Calgary	9.9	108.1	107.9	106.0	0.2	2.0
Edmonton	9.8	110.9	108.8	104.3	1.9	6.3
Vancouver	10.6	97.9	97.1	100.0	0.8	-2.1
Victoria	1.9	95.8	96.0	98.1	-0.2	-2.3
Canada Composite (22 cities)	100.0*	104.2	104.0	102.5	0.2	1.7

* Surveys in New Brunswick, Sudbury and Prince George account for the remaining weight.

The New Housing Price Indexes 1976=100 are identical in concept and general methodology to the previously-published indexes on the 1971 and January 1976 time base they replace. The indexes measure the rate of price change in the selling price (including land) of a constant quality of new houses in selected metropolitan areas in Canada. Ten additional cities are surveyed and indexes are now published for St. John's, Quebec City, Hamilton, Windsor, Thunder Bay, Vancouver and Victoria. Results from Moncton, Sudbury and Prince George are included in the 22-city Canada Composite Index, calculated since January 1976. Canada Composite Index weights are derived from numbers of single, semi-detached and row units built in the three-year period 1975-1977, valued at 1976 average prices. The cities included in the composite account for 75% of all units built in urban areas with populations of 10,000 or more. All other previously-published city indexes have been arithmetically converted to the 1976 time base. Monthly and annual figures on the new time base are available on CANSIM matrix 85. These figures will appear monthly in Table 13.2 starting with the March 1978 issue of *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, 40¢/\$4). For a more complete description of survey methodology and concepts see the December 1974 issue of *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin*. For further detail on the changes in these indexes, contact Mr. L.J. Seary (613-994-9387), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

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PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products (1961=100), January 1978
(62-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Radio Broadcasting, November 1977 (56-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Hardboard (Wood Fibre), February 1978 (36-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Copper and Nickel Production, January 1978 (26-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Dairy Factory Production, February 1978 (32-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Silver, Lead and Zinc Production, January 1978 (26-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

Quarterly Shipments of Flush Type Doors (Wood) by Canadian Manufacturers,
Quarter Ended December 31, 1977 (35-004, 35¢/\$1.40)

Particle Board, January 1978 (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Battery Manufacturers, 1976 (43-208, 70¢)

Service Bulletin:

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 18, Pack of
Processed Potatoes, 1977

EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE: ALL COUNTRIES

Seasonally Adjusted
Balance of Payments Basis
Billions of Dollars



Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, February, 1978 — Published Only in *The Daily* and *Infomat*

Exports and imports, seasonally adjusted on a balance-of-payments basis, advanced substantially in February following sharp declines in January associated with unusually harsh weather dislocations. Exports rose 23% in February to \$4,369 million, which surpassed the previous high level in December by 3%. At \$4,124 million, imports were 25.5% above January and more than 8% above December, the topmost total in 1977. With the increase in imports exceeding that of exports the merchandise trade surplus of \$245 million was some 8.5% smaller than the revised January balance.

In a three-month comparison, seasonally-adjusted exports gained roughly 9% to \$12,160 million in December-February after a marginal rise in the preceding period. Imports increased 8.5% to \$11,212 million in the months of December-February following slight declines in the two previous quarters.

The merchandise trade surplus expanded 18% to \$948 million in the latest three months from \$803 million in the months of September-November following a rise of 20% from June-August.

Exports (Customs Basis)

Following a 7% fall in January, seasonally-adjusted exports to the United States rebounded 9.3% in February to \$3,036 million, topping the \$3 billion level for the first time. The rise in February was attributable to larger shipments of metallic ores, forestry products, chemicals, metals, machinery, trucks, automotive components and other equipment. With reference to December, the previous high month, exports in February of most of these commodity groups were larger. However, seasonally-adjusted shipments of pulp, newsprint and passenger cars were lower in this comparison.

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Merchandise Trade of Canada

	Customs Basis*		Balance of Payments Basis*				
	Unadjusted		Unadjusted		Seasonally Adjusted		
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports (\$ millions)	Exports	Imports	Trade Balance
1976							
Third Quarter	9,359	8,727	9,289	8,575	9,820	9,220	600
Fourth Quarter	9,876	9,549	10,010	9,452	9,672	9,296	376
1977							
First Quarter	10,294	9,941	10,299	9,826	10,842	10,046	796
Second Quarter	11,551	11,421	11,602	11,239	10,782	10,451	331
Third Quarter	10,587	9,899	10,620	9,859	11,148	10,522	626
Fourth Quarter	11,767	10,809	12,044	10,734	11,793	10,639	1,154
1977							
September	3,510	3,282	3,590	3,293	3,593	3,509	84
October	4,046	3,710	4,192	3,691	4,084	3,575	509
November	3,660	3,611	3,776	3,578	3,466	3,256	210
December	4,061	3,488	4,076	3,465	4,243	3,808	435
1978							
January	3,484	3,183	3,476	3,193	3,548	3,280	268
February	4,055	3,854	4,032	3,849	4,369	4,124	245

*In the above table, export and import totals are shown on both a "customs" and a "balance-of-payments" basis. The figures on a customs basis are the totals of detailed merchandise trade data tabulated from customs documents according to procedures and concepts explained in Summary of External Trade. The figures on a balance-of-payments basis reflect a number of adjustments applied to the customs totals to make them consistent with the concepts and definitions used in the system of national accounts. The adjustments include timing adjustments to exports of crude petroleum, natural gas and wheat and to receipts and payments for capital equipment deduction of transportation charges included in the customs returns and the reduction of import values calculated for customs duty purposes to values which reflect transaction prices. For more information about these adjustments, please refer to Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments (67-001, \$1.05/\$4.20).

In contrast to a drop of 38.5% in January, the value of shipments to overseas countries rose even more sharply, by 74%, to \$1,355 million. The European Economic Community and Japan accounted for nearly 40% of the rise and the remaining countries, the balance. Increases were recorded in February in shipments of cereals and oilseeds, metallic ores, forestry products (other than lumber), chemicals, metals, machinery, motor vehicles and communication equipment. Exports of lumber and automotive parts declined in February.

Seasonally-adjusted exports to the United States advanced nearly 13% to \$8,798 million in the three months ending in February on account of the unusually sizable volume of shipments in both December and February. Contributing to the increase were higher exports of natural gas, forestry products, metals, industrial machinery, passenger cars, automotive parts and other equipment. Shipments of chemicals and trucks fell from the September-November period.

Exports to overseas markets gained more moderately to \$3,404 million in the three months ending in February owing to increased shipments of fish, barley, oilseeds, metallic ores, asbestos, paper, non-ferrous metals and industrial machinery. Exports of coal, lumber, pulp, motor vehicles and parts were lower in the months of December-February.

Imports (Customs Basis)

At \$2,836 million, seasonally-adjusted imports in February from the United States stood 24.7% above the unusually low January rate and set a record high level. The increase originated in larger arrivals of food,

processed materials, machinery, automotive products (other than passenger cars), other equipment and consumer goods.

In rising almost 30% to \$1,294 million in February imports from overseas countries surpassed the high level of December 1977. Led by increased landings of crude oil, larger imports were recorded for food, industrial materials, machinery and equipment. Imports of apparel and footwear declined moderately but those of other consumer goods rose in February.

In a three-month comparison, seasonally-adjusted imports from the United States rose 5.5% to \$7,715 million in the December-February period. Passenger cars and automotive components accounted for more than a third of the overall increase. Imports of industrial materials, machinery and equipment were also much stronger in the three months ending in February but seasonally-adjusted imports of coal declined.

Imports from overseas countries rose 13.5% to \$3,531 million in the months of December-February with the European Economic Community and Japan accounting for 43% of the increase. Enlarged imports of crude oil represented more than a third of the overall increase between the two three-month periods and higher imports of food, chemicals, steel, automotive and consumer goods also contributed to the rise in imports from overseas countries.

For further information on area and commodity trade, order the February issue of the *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

(see tables on pages 4-9)

Table 1

Imports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1976							
Third Quarter	9,371.3	7,017.3	6,457.2	264.9	2,649.2	503.9	394.4
Fourth Quarter	9,393.1	7,082.7	6,473.7	304.0	2,615.4	534.7	406.4
1977							
First Quarter	10,199.0	7,433.6	7,143.4	307.3	2,748.3	565.7	428.3
Second Quarter	10,675.1	7,732.9	7,587.9	323.7	2,763.5	598.8	440.1
Third Quarter	10,603.3	7,880.1	7,427.9	326.2	2,849.2	627.6	459.2
Fourth Quarter	10,755.5	7,831.1	7,481.0	328.7	2,945.8	573.7	487.5
1977							
September	3,512.1	2,626.5	2,434.0	104.0	974.1	213.6	152.0
October	3,608.0	2,644.0	2,528.4	109.2	970.4	180.8	170.8
November	3,301.4	2,346.5	2,347.3	107.9	846.2	185.0	139.9
December	3,846.1	2,840.6	2,605.3	111.6	1,129.2	207.9	176.9
1978							
January	3,269.9	2,318.0	2,273.5	94.4	902.0	195.5	153.9
February	4,129.5	3,082.2	2,835.7	139.2	1,154.6	253.6	211.9
Percent changes							
February/January	26.2	32.9	24.7	47.4	28.0	29.6	37.6
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	7.9	8.1	5.5	7.4	14.1	13.4	17.3
Feb. 78/Feb. 77	20.8	23.2	16.9	36.4	29.9	30.6	44.5

Table 2

Imports by Principal Trading Areas

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Feb. 1977	Jan. 1977	Dec. 1976	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.
	(\$ millions)								
United States	2,660.3	2,098.3	2,366.8	2,276.4	2,032.0	2,189.7	16.8	3.2	8.0
United Kingdom	126.1	97.0	99.0	92.4	89.0	83.7	36.5	9.0	18.3
Other E.E.C.	220.1	191.0	195.5	167.9	162.8	161.6	31.1	17.2	21.0
Japan	194.3	160.4	163.1	133.7	132.5	132.2	45.2	21.0	23.3
Other O.E.C.D.	110.3	105.7	139.3	85.1	103.6	121.8	29.6	2.0	14.4
Other America	185.2	270.2	174.7	178.3	206.2	139.0	3.9	31.0	25.6
Other Countries	358.1	260.4	349.6	253.7	283.1	244.0	41.1	-7.9	43.3
All Countries	3,854.4	3,183.0	3,488.0	3,187.5	3,009.2	3,072.0	20.9	5.7	13.5
	Year-to-Date						Feb.-Feb. Percent Changes		
	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Feb. 1977	Jan. 1977	Feb. 1976	Jan. 1976	78/77	77/76	
United States	4,758.7	2,098.3	4,308.4	2,032.0	3,982.1	1,838.1	10.4	8.2	
United Kingdom	223.2	97.0	181.4	89.0	189.5	96.0	23.0	-4.2	
Other E.E.C.	411.0	191.0	330.7	162.8	299.7	157.3	24.2	10.3	
Japan	354.7	160.4	266.3	132.5	230.8	115.4	33.2	15.3	
Other O.E.C.D.	216.0	105.7	188.7	103.6	175.1	99.8	14.4	7.7	
Other America	455.5	270.2	384.4	206.2	332.7	207.3	18.4	15.5	
Other Countries	618.5	260.4	536.7	283.1	701.5	390.0	15.2	-23.4	
All Countries	7,037.6	3,183.0	6,196.6	3,009.2	5,911.4	2,903.9	13.5	4.8	

Table 3

Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Feb. 1977	Jan. 1977	Dec. 1976	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	2.7	2.3	3.3	2.9	3.5	4.4	-7.3	-33.5	-26.3
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	280.0	240.7	288.6	227.7	224.0	246.2	22.9	7.4	17.2
Meat and fish	50.5	39.5	46.1	41.0	37.7	48.2	23.1	4.6	-4.4
Fruits and vegetables	88.7	70.2	92.1	73.9	62.7	77.6	19.9	11.9	18.7
Raw sugar	20.2	20.0	31.9	12.8	22.6	23.1	58.1	-11.3	37.9
Crude Materials, Inedible	468.6	448.9	459.9	340.4	436.9	339.9	37.6	2.7	35.3
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	41.4	34.8	47.3	21.7	35.0	47.8	90.6	-0.5	-1.1
Coal	0.6	14.7	38.9	5.3	25.2	42.2	-87.8	-41.5	-7.6
Crude petroleum	325.3	319.5	303.7	232.4	292.7	173.6	40.0	9.1	74.9
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	640.5	526.7	588.2	498.8	474.6	491.8	28.4	10.9	19.6
Wood and paper	60.7	46.5	52.1	53.2	50.0	48.5	14.2	-7.1	7.5
Textiles	85.2	76.2	72.5	68.5	67.2	64.5	24.4	13.3	12.3
Chemicals	198.1	152.0	155.8	148.9	133.0	133.2	33.0	14.2	16.9
Iron and steel	73.6	61.5	83.9	56.6	55.7	59.0	30.0	10.4	42.1
Bars and rods, steel	7.0	7.6	10.8	6.3	8.8	7.8	9.7	-13.5	39.7
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	28.4	21.5	27.9	21.5	17.5	15.3	31.7	23.1	82.0
Non-ferrous metals	57.3	38.1	58.1	31.4	33.4	49.8	82.4	14.2	16.6
End Products, Inedible	2,392.9	1,937.2	2,109.5	2,083.2	1,837.0	1,952.5	14.8	5.4	8.0
General purpose machinery	132.4	109.2	120.6	112.7	97.6	101.6	17.4	11.8	18.6
Special industry machinery	203.2	153.9	156.9	179.0	157.7	148.0	13.5	-2.4	6.0
Machine tools, metalworking	16.9	16.2	12.5	11.0	11.5	12.9	54.0	40.4	-3.3
Agricultural machinery and tractors	113.0	83.0	96.0	119.0	111.7	101.3	-5.0	-25.6	-5.2
Transportation equipment	1,158.3	920.0	1,000.6	1,005.9	830.3	946.4	15.1	10.7	5.7
Passenger automobiles and chassis	291.9	230.2	276.1	258.2	189.1	264.6	13.0	21.7	4.3
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	92.9	57.3	73.7	93.3	64.0	72.6	-0.4	-10.3	1.4
Other motor vehicles	29.9	24.8	30.5	26.7	22.2	25.3	11.6	11.8	20.2
Motor vehicle engines	60.4	44.9	45.4	41.8	36.5	35.8	44.4	23.0	26.8
Motor vehicle engine parts	60.9	56.5	59.3	55.5	49.7	50.0	9.7	13.5	18.7
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	510.9	425.0	427.4	433.9	384.1	408.8	17.7	10.6	4.5
Aircraft, complete with engines	10.6	2.4	10.4	6.5	7.1	17.0	63.6	-66.7	-39.0
Other equipment and tools	427.4	365.4	398.6	349.2	343.6	355.6	22.4	6.3	12.1
Electronic computers	58.8	52.9	54.4	44.3	44.2	39.3	32.7	19.7	38.5
Special Transactions, Trade	69.7	27.2	38.7	34.4	33.2	37.1	102.6	-18.0	4.2
Total	3,854.4	3,183.0	3,488.0	3,187.5	3,009.2	3,072.0	20.9	5.7	13.5

Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, February 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers shipped 1,373,803 thousand square feet (127 630 thousand m²) of corrugated boxes and wrappers in February 1978, an increase of 3.1% from the revised 1,332,877 thousand square feet (123 829 thousand m²) last year.

The January-February 1978 revised shipments totalled 2,759,667 thousand square feet (256 380 thousand m²) compared with the revised 2,640,240 thousand square (246 140 thousand m²) last year.

For further information, order the February issue of *Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers* (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Motor Vehicle Shipments, February 1978 — Advance Information

Production of passenger cars totalled 89,237 units in February 1978 compared with 96,363 units in February 1977. January to February production was 173,391 units compared with 194,649 units a year earlier. All commercial vehicles totalled 146,844 units compared with 143,585. Year to date production was 282,082 units compared with 288,350 units.

For further information, order the February issue of *Motor Vehicle Shipments* (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T. Raj Shdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Table 3 (Continued)

Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Year-to-Date						Feb.-Feb.	
	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Feb. 1977	Jan. 1977	Feb. 1976	Jan. 1976	78/77	77/76
	(\$ millions)						Percent Changes	
Live Animals	5.0	2.3	6.4	3.5	11.4	4.2	-21.6	-43.8
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	520.8	240.7	451.8	224.0	379.5	194.7	15.2	19.0
Meat and fish	90.0	39.5	78.7	37.7	78.1	38.0	14.2	0.7
Fruits and vegetables	158.9	70.2	136.6	62.7	122.7	64.1	16.3	11.3
Raw sugar	40.3	20.0	35.4	22.6	27.4	11.3	13.8	29.0
Crude Materials, Inedible	917.5	448.9	777.3	436.9	915.9	573.6	18.0	-15.1
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	76.1	34.8	56.6	35.0	48.8	26.9	34.3	15.9
Coal	15.4	14.7	30.5	25.2	44.8	42.5	-49.6	-31.8
Crude petroleum	644.8	319.5	525.1	292.7	672.4	423.2	22.8	-21.9
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	1,167.2	526.7	973.4	474.6	1,008.3	495.5	19.9	-3.4
Wood and paper	107.2	46.5	103.2	50.0	147.4	71.9	3.8	-29.9
Textiles	161.4	76.2	135.7	67.2	152.1	78.8	18.9	-10.7
Chemicals	350.1	152.0	281.9	133.0	264.8	128.6	24.2	6.4
Iron and steel	135.1	61.5	112.3	55.7	109.2	53.7	20.3	2.8
Bars and rods, steel	14.5	7.6	15.1	8.8	11.8	6.5	-3.7	28.1
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	49.9	21.5	39.0	17.5	33.8	15.6	27.8	15.3
Non-ferrous metals	95.4	38.1	64.8	33.4	61.6	33.7	47.3	5.2
End Products, Inedible	4,330.1	1,937.2	3,920.2	1,837.0	3,526.8	1,606.7	10.4	11.1
General purpose machinery	241.6	109.2	210.4	97.6	228.2	115.8	14.8	-7.8
Special industry machinery	357.0	153.9	336.7	157.7	313.6	150.7	6.0	7.3
Machine tools, metalworking	33.1	16.2	22.5	11.5	23.8	12.8	47.0	-5.3
Agricultural machinery and tractors	196.0	83.0	230.7	111.7	205.1	95.6	-15.0	12.4
Transportation equipment	2,078.3	920.0	1,836.2	830.3	1,582.4	677.7	13.1	16.0
Passenger automobiles and chassis	522.2	230.2	447.3	189.1	390.8	151.9	16.7	14.4
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	150.3	57.3	157.3	64.0	123.4	49.1	-4.4	27.5
Other motor vehicles	54.7	24.8	48.9	22.2	39.0	16.3	11.7	25.3
Motor vehicle engines	105.3	44.9	78.3	36.5	82.2	36.2	34.5	-4.7
Motor vehicle engines parts	117.4	56.5	105.2	49.7	72.4	30.8	11.5	45.3
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	935.9	425.0	818.0	384.1	704.6	306.4	14.4	16.1
Aircraft, complete with engines	12.9	2.4	13.5	7.1	14.4	7.3	-4.5	-5.7
Other equipment and tools	792.8	365.4	692.8	343.6	631.9	302.4	14.4	9.6
Electronic computers	111.7	52.9	88.5	44.2	57.2	28.5	26.2	54.6
Special Transactions, Trade	96.9	27.2	67.6	33.2	69.5	29.1	43.3	-2.6
Total	7,037.6	3,183.0	6,196.6	3,009.2	5,911.4	2,903.9	13.5	4.8

Cotton Yarn and Cloth Mills, 1976 — Advance Information

Cotton yarn and cloth mills shipped \$363.9 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 13.8% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 8.7% to \$149.0 million, the number of employees decreased 12.8% to 8,947 and total salaries and wages increased 8.6% to \$86.0 million.

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Cotton Yarn and Cloth Mills* (34-205, 70¢).

Knitted Fabric Mills, 1976 — Advance Information

Knitted fabric mills shipped \$216.8 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, down 6.4% from 1975. Total value added by the industry decreased 6.2% to \$73.7 million, the number of employees decreased 18.8% to 4,572 and total salaries and wages decreased 9.3% to \$42.0 million.

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Knitting Mills* (34-215, \$1.05).

Table 4
Total Exports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs Basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	Total excluding cars and wheat	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1976								
Third Quarter	9,889.7	7,805.1	7,375.1	6,670.3	495.0	2,724.4	703.3	564.4
Fourth Quarter	9,537.8	7,543.3	7,241.9	6,465.1	455.2	2,617.5	719.8	614.7
1977								
First Quarter	10,914.0	8,350.5	7,848.4	7,351.5	480.8	3,081.7	726.5	664.6
Second Quarter	10,809.4	8,288.9	7,849.7	7,592.8	484.7	2,731.9	688.9	658.8
Third Quarter	11,194.4	8,794.2	8,308.2	7,781.5	496.6	2,916.3	674.3	645.5
Fourth Quarter	11,596.3	8,860.3	8,406.1	8,235.5	495.2	2,865.6	752.2	615.7
1977								
September	3,538.9	2,766.6	2,629.9	2,536.7	146.6	855.6	190.4	204.0
October	3,968.2	3,038.4	2,873.5	2,716.2	163.9	1,088.1	252.5	249.2
November	3,374.2	2,529.3	2,429.0	2,535.1	128.6	710.5	212.7	158.2
December	4,254.1	3,292.6	3,103.6	2,984.3	202.8	1,067.0	287.0	208.3
1978								
January	3,556.1	2,690.9	2,588.5	2,777.4	120.5	658.2	178.9	181.8
February	4,391.5	3,479.0	3,338.5	3,036.1	178.0	1,177.4	237.4	288.2
Percent changes								
February/January	23.4	29.2	28.9	9.3	47.7	78.8	32.7	58.4
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	12.1	13.5	13.8	12.9	14.1	9.3	7.2	10.9
Feb. 78/Feb. 77	24.2	28.8	31.6	26.4	19.2	19.4	-6.8	30.6

Table 5
Total Exports by Principal Trading Areas

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Feb. 1977	Jan. 1977	Dec. 1976	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.
	(\$ millions)						Feb.	Jan.	Dec.
United States	2,891.4	2,539.3	2,845.9	2,286.5	2,134.0	2,283.7	26.4	18.9	24.6
United Kingdom	164.9	126.0	200.0	137.5	159.3	144.9	19.9	-20.8	38.0
Other E.E.C.	235.3	185.7	280.7	216.6	235.5	215.6	8.6	-21.1	30.2
Japan	241.2	210.8	179.0	185.0	195.1	195.9	30.4	8.0	-8.6
Other O.E.C.D.	101.4	80.4	115.0	104.6	84.0	83.4	-3.0	-4.2	37.7
Other America	168.3	133.4	151.6	125.6	117.0	128.0	33.9	13.9	18.4
Other Countries	252.2	208.5	288.3	205.6	224.0	245.4	22.6	-6.9	17.4
All Countries	4,054.7	3,484.1	4,060.5	3,261.4	3,148.9	3,296.9	24.3	10.6	23.1
	Year-to-Date						Feb.-Feb. Percent Changes		
	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Feb. 1977	Jan. 1977	Feb. 1976	Jan. 1976	78/77	77/76	
	(\$ millions)						78/77	77/76	
United States	5,430.7	2,539.3	4,420.4	2,134.0	3,858.6	1,820.7	22.8	14.5	
United Kingdom	290.9	126.0	296.8	159.3	275.1	123.4	-1.9	7.8	
Other E.E.C.	421.0	185.7	452.1	235.5	399.6	229.9	-6.8	13.1	
Japan	452.0	210.8	380.1	195.1	442.5	216.9	18.9	-14.1	
Other O.E.C.D.	181.8	80.4	188.5	84.0	148.5	64.0	-3.5	26.9	
Other America	301.7	133.4	242.7	117.0	238.0	137.4	24.3	1.9	
Other Countries	460.6	208.5	429.6	224.0	455.7	268.9	7.2	-5.7	
All Countries	7,538.7	3,484.1	6,410.2	3,148.9	5,818.0	2,861.2	17.6	10.1	

Table 6

Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Feb. 1977	Jan. 1977	Dec. 1976	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	17.4	9.5	17.8	7.1	9.2	13.4	145.5	3.1	32.6
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	338.2	281.6	456.2	283.5	295.4	351.1	19.3	-4.6	29.9
Meat and fish	79.3	75.0	93.5	51.5	48.0	53.4	53.9	56.2	75.0
Cereals and preparations	160.1	140.5	268.7	151.9	181.5	212.5	5.4	-22.5	26.4
Wheat	93.1	94.1	192.2	122.0	121.2	124.0	-23.6	-22.3	55.0
Crude Materials, Inedible	745.4	729.2	810.9	633.2	709.2	692.1	17.7	2.8	17.1
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	190.4	159.0	235.4	137.3	206.7	183.8	38.6	-23.0	28.0
Crude petroleum	140.4	163.5	154.3	139.8	169.4	166.5	0.4	-3.4	-7.2
Natural gas	205.9	212.9	205.8	175.5	154.4	147.0	17.2	37.9	40.0
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	1,507.1	1,279.4	1,352.2	1,086.9	1,070.9	995.9	38.6	19.4	35.7
Wood and paper	699.5	631.0	686.8	547.2	543.4	541.1	27.8	16.1	26.9
Lumber, softwood	233.0	205.2	194.6	149.2	157.0	144.7	56.2	30.6	34.5
Wood pulp and similar pulp	173.0	147.3	169.7	190.9	160.2	171.9	-9.3	-7.9	-1.3
Newsprint paper	206.3	202.0	225.3	159.3	166.8	177.3	29.5	21.1	27.0
Textiles	12.9	8.4	9.7	9.4	7.1	8.5	37.3	17.3	14.2
Chemicals	169.4	118.5	148.2	129.4	123.4	107.8	30.9	-4.0	37.4
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	71.0	45.4	44.5	53.3	50.7	39.7	33.3	-10.4	12.0
Petroleum and coal products	81.2	76.4	64.2	76.7	57.7	45.3	5.8	32.3	41.8
Iron and steel	107.8	87.2	97.5	68.6	83.7	58.6	56.9	4.1	66.2
Non-ferrous metals	306.9	240.0	228.0	175.9	192.2	169.8	74.4	24.9	34.3
Copper and alloys	69.6	40.1	42.7	37.4	44.7	39.3	86.2	-10.2	8.7
Nickel and alloys	76.1	71.0	54.6	20.8	33.5	45.0	265.4	111.6	21.2
End Products, Inedible	1,352.1	1,126.0	1,342.9	1,175.8	1,010.3	1,159.3	15.0	11.4	15.8
Industrial machinery	118.3	93.0	110.5	89.0	72.6	91.0	32.9	28.1	21.5
Agricultural machinery and tractors	54.1	25.2	40.2	48.9	35.0	49.6	10.6	-28.0	-18.9
Transportation equipment	954.5	850.7	952.1	872.8	771.7	829.7	9.3	10.2	14.7
Passenger automobiles and chassis	343.3	318.8	357.7	345.1	323.1	336.1	-0.5	-1.3	6.4
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	212.0	170.9	199.0	158.6	142.1	135.0	33.6	20.2	47.4
Other motor vehicles	12.0	15.9	25.0	12.8	7.7	11.8	-6.0	106.0	111.8
Motor vehicle engines and parts	78.3	85.9	65.6	88.7	73.5	86.2	-11.7	16.8	-23.9
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	233.5	208.0	228.1	196.3	178.3	190.4	19.0	16.6	19.8
Other equipment and tools	95.1	68.9	99.1	73.5	59.2	85.3	29.5	16.3	16.2
Special transactions, Trade	18.1	7.0	4.5	5.6	5.6	4.8	222.0	23.6	-5.2
Total	3,978.4	3,432.6	3,984.5	3,192.1	3,100.5	3,216.5	24.6	10.7	23.8

Table 6 (Continued)

Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

			Year-to-Date				Feb.-Feb. Percent Changes	
	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Feb. 1977	Jan. 1977	Feb. 1976	Jan. 1976	78/77	77/76
	(\$ millions)							
Live Animals	26.9	9.5	16.3	9.2	19.4	10.0	65.1	-15.9
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	619.8	281.6	578.9	295.4	673.1	354.5	7.0	-13.9
Meat and fish	154.4	75.0	99.6	48.0	98.0	45.6	55.0	1.6
Cereals and preparations	300.6	140.5	333.3	181.5	469.5	253.9	-9.8	-29.0
Wheat	187.2	94.1	243.2	121.2	308.2	158.0	-23.0	-21.0
Crude Materials, Inedible	1,474.6	729.2	1,342.4	709.2	1,369.6	741.5	9.8	-1.9
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	349.4	159.0	344.0	206.7	289.9	151.8	1.5	18.6
Crude petroleum	303.9	163.5	309.2	169.4	488.2	291.3	-1.7	-36.6
Natural gas	418.8	212.9	329.9	154.4	273.6	136.7	26.9	20.5
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	2,786.6	1,279.4	2,157.8	1,070.9	1,756.2	851.8	29.1	22.8
Wood and paper	1,330.5	631.0	1,090.6	543.4	837.8	407.2	21.9	30.1
Lumber, softwood	438.2	205.2	306.1	157.0	211.5	99.6	43.1	44.7
Woodpulp and similar pulp	320.4	147.3	351.0	160.2	354.5	171.5	-8.7	-0.9
Newsprint paper	408.3	202.0	326.1	166.8	175.9	85.3	25.2	85.3
Textiles	21.3	8.4	16.5	7.1	18.0	9.9	28.7	-8.1
Chemicals	287.9	118.5	252.8	123.4	207.5	97.2	13.8	21.8
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	116.4	45.4	104.0	50.7	90.7	42.2	11.9	14.6
Petroleum and coal products	157.5	76.4	134.4	57.7	136.7	73.5	17.2	-1.6
Iron and steel	194.9	87.2	152.4	83.7	130.8	60.7	27.9	16.4
Non-ferrous metals	547.0	240.0	368.1	192.2	311.3	150.7	48.6	18.2
Copper and alloys	109.7	40.1	82.0	44.7	89.9	43.8	33.7	-8.7
Nickel and alloys	147.1	71.0	54.4	33.5	53.1	23.6	170.6	2.3
End Products, Inedible	2,478.1	1,126.0	2,186.0	1,010.3	1,863.8	844.4	13.3	17.2
Industrial machinery	211.4	93.0	161.6	72.6	136.2	67.7	30.7	18.6
Agricultural machinery and tractors	79.3	25.2	83.8	35.0	88.5	31.1	-5.4	-5.2
Transportation equipment	1,805.2	850.7	1,644.5	771.7	1,341.3	618.5	9.7	22.6
Passenger automobiles and chassis	662.1	318.8	668.2	323.1	567.4	264.7	-0.9	17.7
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	382.9	170.9	300.7	142.1	217.4	105.7	27.3	38.3
Other motor vehicles	27.9	15.9	20.5	7.7	20.9	8.7	36.0	-1.9
Motor vehicle engines and parts	164.2	85.9	162.2	73.5	114.7	49.4	1.2	41.4
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	441.5	208.0	374.6	178.3	321.8	140.1	17.8	16.3
Other equipment and tools	164.0	68.9	132.6	59.2	115.7	50.8	23.6	14.6
Special Transactions, Trade	25.0	7.0	11.2	5.6	19.7	6.0	122.6	-42.9
Total	7,411.1	3,432.6	6,292.6	3,100.5	5,701.7	2,808.1	17.7	10.3

Import and Export Price and Volume Indexes, January 1978 — Advance Information

Import and export price indexes increased at a faster pace in January than in December. Weight shifts were partly responsible for substantial increases in the current weighted price indexes of 3.2% for imports and 4.5% for exports. On a fixed weight basis, the increases were 1.0% and 1.5% respectively. Compared with the previous year, the current weighted January 1978 import price index was 14.3% above January 1977 and the export index was up 9.5%.

Seasonally-adjusted import and export volumes declined sharply in January from peak December levels, unusually severe weather conditions in the United States and Canada being a contributing factor.

For further information, order the February issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

Import and Export Price and Volume Indexes

Price Indexes Weighted with Current Period Quantities
Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation
(1971=100)

	Imports	Exports
1975 Annual	157.4	173.1
1976 Annual	158.2	177.5
1977 Annual	174.2	188.7
1976		
III Quarter	158.9	178.6
IV Quarter	158.1	177.7
1977		
I Quarter	168.8	183.6
II Quarter	173.8	186.7
III Quarter	181.5	192.6
IV Quarter	184.3	192.4
1977		
August	185.6	197.7
September	178.6	190.7
October	182.4	191.4
November	184.0	192.2
December	187.0	193.1
1978		
January	192.9	201.9

Volume Indexes Weighted with 1971 Prices
Seasonally Adjusted
(1971=100)

	Imports	Exports
1975 Annual	141.1	107.8
1976 Annual	151.7	119.8
1977 Annual	154.7	130.8
1976		
III Quarter	151.2	123.4
IV Quarter	152.1	119.2
1977		
I Quarter	154.8	132.9
II Quarter	157.3	129.3
III Quarter	149.7	129.5
IV Quarter	149.3	134.8
1977		
August	147.8	129.9
September	151.1	124.5
October	152.0	139.6
November	137.9	117.4
December	158.1	147.7
1978		
January	128.9	118.6

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Gas Utilities, December 1977 (55-002, 30¢/\$3)
Monthly Review of Canadian Fisheries Statistics, January 1978 (24-002, 40¢/\$4)
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Sales Financing, January 1978 — Advance Information

Sales finance companies purchased \$201.5 million of retail finance paper in January, an increase of 9.3% compared with the \$184.4 million purchased in January 1977. The total purchases comprised \$37.5 million for passenger cars, \$38.9 million for other consumer goods, \$76.8 million for commercial vehicles and \$58.3 million for other commercial and industrial goods.

Wholesale financing undertaken by these companies during the last quarter of 1977 amounted to \$2,135.1 million, an increase of 6.0% over the \$2,013.9 million financed in October-December 1977.

For further information, order the January issue of *Sales Financing* (63-013, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3583), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Radio Air-time Sales, December 1977 — Advance Information

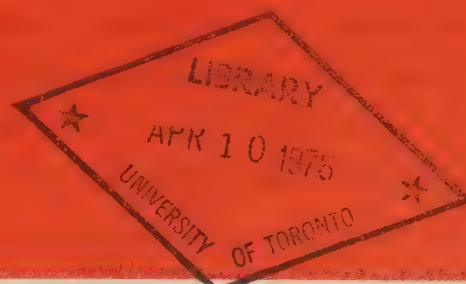
Gross national AM and FM radio air-time sales were \$6.3 million in December, an increase of 14.5% from \$5.5 million in December 1976. Agency and other commissions reduced gross national sales to \$5.3 million, up 12.8% from \$4.7 the previous year.

Net local air-time sales rose 4.1% to \$17.6 million in December from \$16.9 million a year earlier.

Gross radio air-time sales for 1977 were reported at \$272.8 million, compared with \$246.7 million for 1976, an increase of 10.6%. Net sales rose 10.4% to \$253.4 million from \$229.5 million the previous year.

For further information, order the December issue of *Radio Broadcasting* (56-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. P.T. Crosby (613-996-9274), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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**Quarterly Estimates of Population for Canada and the Provinces,
July 1, 1976 — January 1, 1978***

Date	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Yukon	N.W.T.
in thousands													
1976													
July 1	23,025.4	558.5	118.4	829.4	678.2	6,240.0	8,278.1	1,022.1	922.5	1,843.7	2,469.8	22.0	42.7
October 1	23,111.3	560.0	119.1	832.7	681.2	6,255.4	8,306.1	1,024.4	927.5	1,862.3	2,477.6	21.9	43.1
1977													
January 1	23,179.6	560.7	119.8	833.9	683.5	6,265.6	8,329.7	1,027.1	931.4	1,878.0	2,485.2	21.7	43.0
April 1	23,242.9	561.5	120.1	834.5	685.2	6,276.1	8,354.7	1,029.5	934.5	1,890.2	2,492.1	21.4	43.1
July 1	23,315.6	563.2	120.6	835.7	687.1	6,285.1	8,383.9	1,032.1	937.9	1,904.2	2,500.7	21.6	43.5
October 1*	23,388.1	564.1	121.3	838.0	689.8	6,283.5	8,417.0	1,032.4	941.2	1,923.0	2,512.1	21.8	43.9
1978													
January 1*	23,444.2	564.8	121.9	839.6	691.9	6,280.9	8,441.1	1,034.7	944.0	1,936.2	2,523.4	22.0	43.7

*Figures are preliminary.

Quarterly Estimates of Population, Canada and Provinces, July 1976 to January 1978 — Advance Information

The quarterly estimates contained in the accompanying table will be published shortly in catalogue 91-001. This bulletin will give details about methodology and data sources, as well as certain comments on the results. The estimates from July 1, 1971 to April 1, 1976 have been revised taking into account the 1976 census counts and supersede those already published in catalogue 91-001.

For further information, contact Miss G. Caron (613-994-9317), Population Estimates and Projections Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Industrial Corporations, Financial Statistics, Fourth Quarter 1977 — Advance Information

After-tax profits of industrial corporations, not seasonally adjusted, were \$2,768 million for the fourth quarter of 1977, an increase of \$595 million or 27.4% from the fourth quarter of 1976.

Total sales of \$68 billion increased \$7 billion or 11.5% from the fourth quarter of 1976. Assets increased \$5 billion or 2.8% over the third quarter of 1977 and \$17 billion or 10.4% from the fourth quarter of 1976.

The figures represent the latest data for the fourth quarter of 1977 and supersede the preliminary

estimates for the same period released in February 1978. The figures are also available on CANSIM.

For further information, order the fourth quarter issue of *Industrial Corporations, Financial Statistics* (61-003, \$1.75/\$7), or contact Mr. R. St. Germain (613-996-2130), Business Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Trusteed Pension Funds, 4th Quarter, 1977 — Advance Information

The total assets of trusteed pension funds were estimated to be \$29.5 billion at book value as at the end of the last quarter of 1977, up over \$1.3 billion from the previous quarter and up nearly 17% over the \$25.3 billion held a year earlier.

For further information, order the 4th Quarter 1977 issue of *Quarterly Estimates of Trusteed Pension Funds* (74-001, 35¢/\$1.40), or contact Mr. Earl Hanes (613-992-2776), Pensions Section, Labour Division.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending March 21

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	1,932,141	2,081,083	4,013,224
Short tons, 1977	2,536,719	2,149,861	4,686,580
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 752 809	1 887 927	3 640 736
Metric tonnes, 1977	2 301 273	1 950 321	4 251 594
% change	-23.8	-3.2	-14.4
Cars, 1978	34,577	31,238	65,815
Cars, 1977	41,557	32,165	73,722
% change	-16.8	-2.9	-10.7
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	164,577	69,842	234,419
Short tons, 1977	163,667	61,216	224,883
Metric tonnes, 1978	149 302	63 360	212 662
Metric tonnes, 1977	148 476	55 534	204 010
% change	0.6	14.1	4.2
Cars, 1978	4,831	2,684	7,515
Cars, 1977	4,965	2,645	7,610
% change	-2.7	1.5	-1.2
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	26,327,910	23,055,960	49,383,870
Short tons, 1977	25,052,867	23,058,322	48,111,189
Metric tonnes, 1978	23 884 278	20 916 015	44 800 293
Metric tonnes, 1977	22 727 579	20 918 158	43 645 737
% change	5.1	—	2.6
Cars, 1978	430,186	348,042	778,228
Cars, 1977	419,720	350,036	769,756
% change	2.5	-0.6	1.1
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	1,870,958	659,122	2,530,080
Short tons, 1977	1,755,001	623,737	2,378,738
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 697 305	597 945	2 295 250
Metric tonnes, 1977	1 592 110	565 845	2 157 955
% change	6.6	5.7	6.4
Cars, 1978	55,375	26,656	82,031
Cars, 1977	52,974	26,946	79,920
% change	4.5	-1.1	2.6

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1977 figures have been revised — 1978 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended March 21, 1978 —
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Canadian railway freight loadings, reflecting the affect of labour problems in the iron mines of northeastern Quebec, fell 14.4% in the third week of March to 3.6 million t, (4.0 million short tons). Traffic in the east was down 23.8% and a slight decline (3.2%) was recorded in freight originating west of the Lakehead. The number of cars loaded in the current seven days totalled 65,815, a drop of 10.7% from the previous year.

Trailer-container (piggyback), movements were up 4.2% in Canada with loadings in the east increasing 0.6% and those in the west up 14.1%.

From January 1 to March 21, railways loaded 44.8 million t (49.4 million short tons), 2.6% more than a year ago. The corresponding carload count was up

1.1% and cumulative container-trailer (piggyback) traffic registered a gain of 6.4%.

For further information, contact Mr. J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Commercial Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Equipment Manufacturers, 1976 — Advance Information

Commercial refrigeration and air conditioning manufacturers shipped \$201.3 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 22.6% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 17.2% to \$95.0 million, the number of employees increased 9.4% to 4,165 and total salaries and wages increased 19.9% to \$53.4 million.

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Commercial Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Equipment Manufacturers* (42-215, 70¢).

Manufacturers of Industrial Chemicals (Organic), 1976 — Advance Information

Manufacturers of industrial chemicals (organic) shipped \$1,180.7 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 27.8% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 19.9% to \$491.6 million, the number of employees increased 4.0% to 10,714 and total salaries and wages increased 16.0% to \$191.8 million.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Industrial Chemicals* (46-219, 70¢).

Petroleum Refining, 1976 — Advance Information

The petroleum refining industry shipped \$6,725.2 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 16.5% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 19.7% to \$945.8 million, the number of employees decreased 3.3% to 15,105 and total salaries and wages increased 7.6% to \$298.2 million.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Petroleum Refineries* (45-205, 70¢).

Glass Manufacturers, 1976 — Advance Information

The glass manufacturing industry shipped \$324.1 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 11.3% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 10.4% to \$205.0 million, the number of employees decreased 1.2% to 8,615 and total salaries and wages increased 12.7% to \$111.2 million.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Glass and Glass Products Manufacturers* (44-207, 70¢).

Cement Manufacturers, 1976 — Advance Information

The cement manufacturing industry shipped \$403.6 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 19.0% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 18.4% to \$249.1 million, the number of employees decreased slightly to 4,517 and total salaries and wages increased 9.1% to \$76.6 million.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Cement Manufacturers* (44-204, 70¢).

Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, February 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of refrigerators in February were 37,666 compared with 34,033 a year earlier, and month-end stocks totalled 95,906 units, increased from 92,285. Domestic sales of home and farm freezers increased to 17,960 from 15,609, and month-end stocks decreased to 49,923 from 57,585.

For further information, order the February issue of *Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers* (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, February 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of automatic washing machines were 27,137 units in February, down from 29,023 in February 1977. Canadian sales of electric clothes dryers were 25,250 units compared with 26,084 units a year earlier.

For further information, order the February issue of *Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers* (43-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended April 1, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended April 1 was 305,995 short tons (277 594 t), a decrease of 0.6% from the preceding week's total of 307,976 short tons (279 391 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was a revised 274,354 short tons (248 890 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 167.0 in the current week, 168.1 a week earlier and a revised 149.7 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Index of Labour Productivity and Unit Labour Cost, Canada, 1972-77

	Output	Persons Employed	Man- hours	Labour Compensation	Output per Person Employed	Output per Man-hour	Unit Labour Cost
(1971=100)							
All Commercial Industries							
1972	105.9	103.2	102.3	111.1	102.6	103.5	104.9
1973	114.3	108.3	107.6	129.6	105.5	106.2	113.4
1974	119.3	113.7	112.2	154.6	104.9	106.3	129.6
1975	119.8	114.8	112.6	178.7	104.3	106.4	149.2
1976	126.1	116.8	114.0	203.6	108.0	110.6	161.4
1977	130.1	119.7	114.7	223.1	108.7	113.4	171.5
Annual Rate of change (%)							
1961-77	5.3	2.5	1.7	10.8	2.8	3.5	5.2
1971-77	4.3	3.1	2.4	15.1	1.2	1.8	10.3
1974-75	0.4	1.0	0.4	15.6	-0.6	0.0	15.1
1975-76	5.3	1.7	1.2	13.9	3.6	4.0	8.2
1976-77	3.1	2.5	0.6	9.6	0.6	2.5	6.3
Manufacturing							
1972	106.9	102.9	102.5	110.6	103.9	104.3	103.4
1973	116.1	107.4	107.0	126.7	108.1	108.6	109.1
1974	120.1	109.5	108.7	148.9	109.6	110.4	124.0
1975	114.2	106.8	105.2	165.0	106.9	108.6	144.4
1976	120.0	107.9	107.0	189.1	111.2	112.2	157.6
1977	123.7	108.1	106.0	206.3	114.5	116.7	166.8
Annual Rate of change (%)							
1961-77	5.2	1.5	1.2	9.6	3.6	3.9	4.2
1971-77	3.1	1.2	0.9	13.4	1.9	2.2	10.0
1974-75	-4.9	-2.5	-3.2	10.8	-2.4	-1.7	16.5
1975-76	5.1	1.0	1.7	14.6	4.0	3.3	9.1
1976-77	3.1	0.2	-0.9	9.1	2.9	4.0	5.9

Aggregate Productivity Measures, 1972-1977 —
Advance Information

Preliminary estimates of output per man-hour for all commercial industries show an increase of 2.5% in 1977. While the increase is less than the 4.0% increase in 1976, it is above the average annual rate of change for the 1970s. The increase of 8.9% in labour compensation per man-hour in 1977 is the smallest since 1972. Thus the dampening of annual increases in unit labour cost, which became evident in 1976, is reinforced in 1977.

Output per man-hour in manufacturing increased 4.0% in 1977, slightly above the 3.3% increase in 1976. Unit labour cost increased 5.9% in 1977, a rate of increase considerably below those of the preceding years and the smallest increase since 1973.

These data incorporate revised employment data made available in *Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry*, and revise and update the indexes published in *Aggregate Productivity Measures, 1946-1976* (catalogue 14-201). For further information contact Ms Monique Larose (613-995-8261), Input-Output Division, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Fish Freezings and Stocks, January 1978 (24-001, 40¢/\$4)

Felt and Fibre Processing Mills, 1976 (34-219, 70¢)

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The Sugar Situation, February 1978 (32-013, 15¢/\$1.50)**Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables — Monthly, January 1978 (32-011, 30¢/\$3)****Service Bulletin:**

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 19, Pack of Processed Mushrooms, 1977

Census Counts and Intercensal Estimates of Population, Canada and Census Metropolitan Areas, as of June 1st, 1971-1976*

Census Metropolitan Areas	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976
	Thousands					
Canada	21,568.3	21,801.5	22,042.8	22,364.0	22,697.1	22,992.6
Metropolitan areas	11,984.4	12,119.8	12,259.7	12,446.5	12,632.0	12,799.0
Percentage of Canadian population	55.6	55.6	55.6	55.7	55.7	55.7
Calgary	403.3	414.8	426.2	440.0	454.7	469.9
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	126.4	126.8	127.2	127.6	128.1	128.6
Edmonton	496.0	505.8	515.6	527.8	540.5	554.2
Halifax	250.6	254.2	257.7	261.5	264.8	268.0
Hamilton	503.1	507.7	512.3	518.4	524.6	529.4
Kitchener	238.6	244.5	250.3	257.9	265.5	272.2
London	253.0	256.0	259.2	263.4	267.3	270.4
Montréal	2,729.2	2,740.9	2,752.2	2,768.7	2,785.5	2,802.5
Oshawa**	120.3	122.8	125.7	129.2	132.5	135.2
Ottawa-Hull	619.9	632.8	646.1	662.5	678.7	693.3
Québec	501.4	508.5	515.5	523.8	532.3	542.2
Regina	140.7	142.7	144.6	146.7	148.8	151.2
St. Catharines-Niagara	285.8	289.2	292.7	296.1	299.1	301.9
St. John's	131.8	134.1	136.4	138.8	141.1	143.4
Saint John	106.7	107.8	109.0	110.2	111.6	113.0
Saskatoon	126.4	128.0	129.4	130.8	132.2	133.8
Sudbury	157.7	157.6	157.4	157.3	157.2	157.0
Thunder Bay	114.7	115.7	116.6	117.5	118.4	119.3
Toronto	2,602.1	2,631.8	2,663.9	2,715.5	2,764.8	2,803.1
Vancouver	1,082.4	1,094.4	1,109.0	1,128.8	1,149.5	1,166.3
Victoria	195.8	200.2	204.2	209.5	214.3	218.3
Windsor	248.7	248.5	248.3	248.0	247.8	247.6
Winnipeg	549.8	555.0	560.2	566.5	572.7	578.2

* Based on 1976 boundaries.

** Not a Census Metropolitan Area in 1971.

Intercensal Estimates of Population, Census Metropolitan Areas of Canada, June 1, 1971-1976 — Advance Information

The intercensal estimates contained in the accompanying table will be published shortly in catalogue 91-207. It should be noted that these intercensal estimates replace the post-censal estimates already published. This bulletin will give details about methodology and data sources, as well as comments on the results and their interpretation. For further information, contact Miss G. Caron (613-994-9317), Population Estimates and Projections Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Throwsters, Spun Yarn and Cloth Mills, 1976 — Advance Information

The throwsters, spun yarn and cloth mills shipped \$480.0 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 6.0% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 1.7% to \$176.6 million, the number of employees decreased 9.2% to 12,477 and total

salaries and wages increased 6.4% to \$117.8 million.

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Man-made Fibre Yarn and Cloth Mills, 1976* (34-208, 70¢).

Children's Clothing Industry, 1976 — Advance Information

The children's clothing industry shipped \$177.5 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 3.8% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 6.5% to \$78.6 million, the number of employees decreased 4.1% to 6,519 and total salaries and wages increased 9.5% to \$50.9 million.

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Women's and Children's Clothing Industries, 1976* (34-217, \$1.05).

Shipments of Paper Grocery Bags and Check Stand Sacks by Canadian Manufacturers

	Eastern Canada		Western Canada		Canada Total	
	January 1977	January 1978	January 1977	January 1978	January 1977	January 1978
(thousands of bags)						
Standard Grocery Bags						
Size						
1/4 and 1/2	1,233	2,509	812	1,346	2,045	3,855
1	} 4,832	8,704	2,303	2,609	1,810	3,733
2						
3 and 4	8,928	10,153	3,055	4,451	11,983	14,604
5	14,950	24,894	2,988	4,539	17,938	29,433
6	2,521	5,126	3,075	2,792	5,596	7,918
7	} 8,510	11,434	5,054	6,879	4,066	5,080
8						
10	13,848	18,146	3,747	2,837	17,595	20,983
12	2,560	4,734	2,217	2,815	4,777	7,549
14	9,727	10,463	4,584	5,947	14,311	16,410
20	14,682	24,124	6,945	5,911	21,627	30,035
Total	81,791	120,287	34,780	40,126	116,571	160,413
Check Stand Sacks						
No. 1	8,238	12,841	7,352	7,613	15,590	20,454
No. 2	10,727	13,131	—	—	10,727	13,131
No. 3	29,228	28,408	21,608	26,667	50,836	55,075
Nos. 4 and 5	1,916	2,138	—	—	1,916	2,138
Total	50,109	56,518	28,960	34,280	79,069	90,798

Shipments of Paper Grocery Bags and Check Stand Sacks, January 1978 — Published only in Statistics Canada Daily

Data in the accompanying table are the first from a new monthly survey. For further information, contact G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather, February 1978 — Advance Information

In February, packers, dealers and tanners held 285,354 cattle hides, up from 269,660 a year earlier. Cattle hide receipts increased to 214,390 from 163,844 and wettings increased to 196,586 from 172,884.

For further information, order the February issue of *Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather* (33-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, January-February 1978 — Advance Information

Sales of farm implements and equipment (including repair parts) for January to February 1978 were valued at \$111.0 million, a decrease of 1.8% from the January to February 1977 figure of \$113.0 million.

Repair parts for the latest period had a value of \$24.7 million compared with \$24.9 million in 1977.

For further information, order the February issue of *Farm Implement and Equipment Sales* (63-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact the Merchandising and Services Division (613-996-9307), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Folding Carton and Set-up Box Manufacturers, 1976 — Advance Information

Manufacturers of folding cartons and set-up boxes shipped \$349.8 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, up 13.9% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 20.3% to \$165.1 million, the number of employees increased 0.8% to 7,574 and total salaries and wages increased 21.1% to \$93.4 million.

For further information, contact G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Folding Carton and Set-up Box Manufacturers, 1976* (36-214, 70¢).

Salt, February 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian shipments of salt and salt content of brine increased to 765,299 short tons in February from 723,264 short tons a year earlier. This brought the two-months output to 1,509,051 short tons in 1978 from 1,430,857 short tons in 1977.

For further information, order the February issue of *Salt* (26-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Asbestos, February 1978 — Advance Information

Producers' shipments of asbestos decreased to 107,525 short tons in February from 120,278 short tons in February 1977. This brought year-to-date shipments to 203,534 short tons in 1978 from 242,134 short tons in 1977.

For further information, order the February issue of *Asbestos* (26-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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The Special Trades Contracting Industry, 1975

Complete construction industry census data for the year 1975 are now available, resulting from approximately eight years of research, development and implementation. *The Special Trades Contracting Industry* publication provides the first comprehensive release of industrial statistics covering 34 sub-trade contractor groups such as excavating, plumbing, heating, electrical work, etc. Some 66,676 contractor establishments with revenues exceeding \$8.8 billion are represented in the publication. This statistical information fills an important gap in measuring the price, production and productivity performance of these industries as well as providing data on their operational, organizational and financial characteristics. This new publication (64-210, \$1.40) is available from Publications Distribution, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. For further information, contact R. Dubeau (613-994-9756), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments, Fourth Quarter 1977 (67-001, \$1.05/\$4.20)

Exports by Commodities, January 1978 (65-004, 80¢/\$8)

The Special Trades Contracting Industry, 1975 (64-210, \$1.40)

Coarse Grains Review, November 1977 (22-001, \$1.05/\$4.20)

Manufacturers of Small Electrical Appliances, 1976 (43-203, 70¢)

Manufacturers of Major Appliances (Electric and Non-electric), 1976 (43-204, 70¢)

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, March 1978 (32-012, 30¢/\$3)

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, March 1978 (32-009, 30¢/\$3)

Railroad Rolling Stock Industry, 1976 (42-211, 70¢)

Unemployment Insurance Statistics

	Jan. 1978	Dec. 1977	Jan. 1977	% Change From	
				Dec. 1977	Jan. 1977
Benefits					
Gross amount (\$000)	513,674	319,439	397,031	61	29
Net amount (1) (\$000)	511,988	317,734	395,158	61	30
Weeks of benefit (000)	4,712	3,018	3,948	56	19
Average weekly benefit (\$)	109.01	105.84	100.56	3	8
Claims received (000)	300	317	267	-5	12
Beneficiaries (000)	995p	824p	893	21	11

(1) After cancellation of warrants and collection of overpayments.

p Preliminary figures

For further information order the January issue of *Preliminary Unemployment Insurance Statistics* (73-001-p) or *Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act* (73-001, Quarterly, \$1.05/\$4.20) or contact Mr. George Fincham (613-992-7461) Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Preliminary Report on Unemployment Insurance Statistics, January 1978 — Advance Information

Claimants receiving unemployment insurance benefit for the week ending January 14 increased to 995,000*, up 21% from the previous month and 11% from January 1977. Ten per cent of the beneficiaries in the latest month were paid other than regular benefits — that is, sickness, maternity, fishing and training benefits.

In January, net benefits disbursed reached \$512*million, an increase of 61% from December. A substantial rise in normally recorded between December and January; a year earlier the advance was 46% between these two months. Compared with January 1977, the payout was 30% greater.

Persons seeking benefit filed 300,000 claims in January, a decrease of 5% from December but 12% more than in January 1977.

*The count of beneficiaries cannot be related to the benefit payments made during a month. Whereas the latter figure covers all benefit payments made during the month, the count of beneficiaries represents the number of persons receiving benefit for a specific week each month.

Urban Transit, February 1978 — Advance Information

In February, 56 urban transit systems collected 101,710,802 initial passenger fares. The total distance run was 30,584,999 miles (49 221 784 km) and their operating revenues amounted to \$35,753,244.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-996-9271), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6 or order the February issue of *Urban Transit* (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50).

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, February 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary statistics for February show that 1.3 million United States visitors entered Canada, up 3.0% from February 1977. Canadian residents returning from the U.S. numbered 2.2 million, an increase of 2.7% over last year. Visitors entering Canada from countries other than the U.S. increased 6.1% to 36,200 while Canadian travellers returning from these countries rose 4.5% to 147,900.

For further information, order the February issue of *International Travel — Advance Information* (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. M.W. Valiquette (613-995-0847), International Travel Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Non-Residential Building Construction Input Price IndexesFebruary 1978 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Feb. 1977	% Change	
				Feb./78 Jan./78	Feb./78 Feb./77
Total Index	184.6	184.2	173.1	0.2	6.6
Materials	170.0	169.3	161.2	0.4	5.5
Steel and Metal Work	172.9	172.9	171.5	—	0.8
Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning	158.0	157.4	148.4	0.4	6.5
Electrical Equipment	156.8	156.8	153.9	—	1.9
Concrete Products	191.8	191.8	182.5	—	5.1
Lumber and Lumber Products	208.3	200.1	165.6	4.1	25.8
Other	166.4	166.0	155.3	0.2	7.1
Labour	200.8	200.8	186.3	—	7.8

r Revised figures.

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mrs. G. John (613-994-5807), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Union Wage Rate Indexes including selected pay supplements are now available for February 1978.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

March 31, 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	Mar. 31/78 This week	Mar. 23/78 Week ago	Mar. 3/78 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	101.1	100.4	96.7
Industrials	85	95.0	94.0	89.5
Foods	9	107.5	107.3	103.1
Alcoholic beverages	5	89.9	88.9	82.6
Textiles and clothing	3	129.7	132.1	123.5
Pulp and paper	7	126.2	125.6	113.8
Printing and publishing	5	103.5	103.8	101.3
Primary metals	4	102.7	102.6	100.3
Industrial mines	6	67.4	65.0	60.8
Metal fabricating	9	159.2	159.9	158.2
Non-metallic minerals	4	100.7	100.3	96.0
Petroleum	8	101.1	100.9	97.3
Chemicals	5	105.6	106.1	106.8
Construction	5	273.4	273.2	268.9
Trade	15	83.1	82.2	78.1
Utilities and services	28	104.1	104.3	102.9
Transportation	6	128.5	129.7	126.4
Pipelines	5	88.6	89.0	88.9
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	118.0	116.8	107.9
Telephone	4	109.2	108.9	109.9
Electric power	3	139.3	139.2	137.3
Gas distribution	5	86.2	86.1	83.0
Finances	21	127.1	126.6	123.1
Banks	8	127.7	127.5	124.3
Investment and loan	9	121.1	119.6	116.6
Insurance	4	149.6	148.6	138.1
Mining Index	17	121.4	118.1	122.3
Gold	9	267.9	260.5	274.8
Base metals	8	51.2	49.9	49.1
Uraniums	2	203.7	198.6	185.8
Primary oils and gas index	5	139.3	136.8	129.8

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural)

		1977		1978	
		Year-to-Date	February	Year-to-Date	February
		19	19	20	20
Carriers Reporting					
Revenue Earned					
Intercity & Rural Services	\$	17,106,552r*	8,878,313r*	19,437,844r	9,660,099
Urban-Suburban Services	\$	59,818r	30,325r	49,118	23,777
Other Services (e.g. charter)	\$	2,327,980r	1,520,686r	6,426,601r	3,452,477
Fare Passengers Carried					
Intercity & Rural Services	No.	4,552,238*	2,391,076*	5,040,457r	2,576,081
Urban-Suburban Services	No.	111,984	56,069	117,828	58,332
Other Services (e.g. charter)	No.	**	**	**	**
Total Distance Run					
Intercity & Rural Services	miles:	17,498,057*	8,837,869*	17,783,763r	9,024,207
	km:	28 160 392*	14 223 171*	28 620 192r	14 523 053
Urban-Suburban Services	miles:	63,937	31,086	62,958	30,416
	km:	102 896	50 028	101 321	48 950
Other Services (e.g. charter)	miles:	1,732,618	1,171,646	5,659,812r	3,278,211
	km:	2 788 378	1 885 581	9 108 584r	5 275 769
Fuel Consumed					
Diesel Oil	gal.:	2,919,535r	1,521,384r	3,041,566	1,581,948
	litres:	13 272 469r	6 916 349r	13 827 233	7 191 678
Gasoline	gal.:	13,423r	6,265r	670,249	341,864
	litres:	61 022r	28 481r	3 047 013	1 554 144

* Includes charter operations of one intercity bus company.

** The number of fare passengers carried for services other than intercity and rural and urban and suburban are not kept by all carriers.

r Revised figures.

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural), February 1978 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily

The accompanying table contains statistics on passenger bus carriers earning \$500,000 or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations. Cumulative data for the year serves as preliminary information on a significant portion of the industry until definitive annual statistics are available. Figures have been added showing total distance run and fuel consumed, using the International System of Units. This is the most modern version of the metric system, supported by the International Bureau of Weights and Measures. It is the system of units which Canada is adopting.

The following observations apply to the data in this release:

- Data relating to other services such as charter or contract are specific to the surveyed passenger bus carriers and are not indicative of over-all charter and contract operations;
- Passengers paying a fare to the operator of one vehicle and travelling on a second or third vehicle on a transfer are counted for the first vehicle only;
- Total distance run in a revenue service includes distance run empty which was necessary to provide the revenue service.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-996-9271), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Shipbuilding and Repair, 1976 — Advance Information

The shipbuilding and repair industry produced \$571.1 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1976, down 0.3% from 1975. Total value added by the industry increased 5.6% to \$314.5 million, the number of employees decreased 5.3% to 15,473 and total salaries and wages increased 7.9% to \$222.9 million.

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Shipbuilding and Repair, 1976* (42-206, 70¢).

Road Motor Vehicles — Registrations, 1976 — Advance Information

Canada's provinces and territories reported 9,016,258 passenger automobile registrations during the 1976 licence year. Registrations of trucks and buses totalled 2,316,820, while motorcycle registrations amounted to 341,297.

The number of drivers' licences in force during the 1976 licence year was reported at 13.0 million.

For further information, contact Mr. M. Vallières (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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New Motor Vehicle Sales, February 1978 — Advance Information

New motor vehicles sold in February totalled 96,364 units, down 1.1% from a year earlier. This included 57,796 passenger cars (down 4.0%) and 25,049 commercial vehicles (down 1.6%) manufactured in Canada and the U.S., and 12,624 passenger cars (up 16.6%) and 895 commercial vehicles (up 0.7%) manufactured overseas.

Total sales value increased 8.3% to \$660.1 million. Canadian and U.S. passenger cars sold for \$373.2 million (up 3.3%) and commercial vehicles for \$214.4 million (up 12.2%). Sales of passenger cars from overseas increased 28.3% to \$67.5 million and those of commercial vehicles increased 18.0% to \$4.9 million. Included in total commercial vehicles sold were 332 units of coaches and buses valued at \$10.5 million.

Seasonally-adjusted February sales of passenger cars manufactured in Canada and the U.S. increased 12.8% from January to 72,111 units and those of passenger cars from overseas increased 7.6% to 17,274 units. Similarly-adjusted sales of all commercial vehicles were down 0.1% to 29,525 units.

For the first two months of 1978, total sales reached 180,721 units (191,149 in 1977), with an accumulated value of \$1,235.9 million. This represented an increase of 2.3% in value over sales for January-February 1977.

For further information, order the February issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, 30¢/\$3), or contact M. Kwilecki (613-996-9304), Retail Trade Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Stoves and Ranges, February 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of electric stoves and ranges in February decreased 14.4% to 31,252 units from 36,512 in February 1977. Closing inventory of these products decreased 19.9% to 78,229 units from 97,660 a year earlier.

For further information, order the February issue of *Stoves and Furnaces* (41-005, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Urban Family Expenditure, 1974 (Errata)

Errata covering Table 17, Summary of Family Expenditure by Employment Status of Wife, of the above-noted publication (catalogue 62-544) is now available from Publications Distribution, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. For further information, contact the Family Expenditure Section (613-996-4519), Consumer Income and Expenditure Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Imports by Commodities

Full details on commodity-country import trade for January are now available either on microfiche or by telephone in advance of the regular publication, *Imports by Commodities* (65-007, 80¢/\$8). Direct information requests to G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Field Crop Reporting Series, No. 2, Intended Acreage of Principal Field Crops —
Available April 7, 1978 at 3 p.m. (22-002E, \$5.60 for series of 20)

Estimates of Labour Income, October-December 1977 (72-005, \$1.05/\$4.20)

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, 1976 (66-201, \$1.40)

Department Store Sales by Regions, February 1978 (63-004, \$1.50 per year)

Summary of Net Shipments* of Rolled Steel Products

January 1978 — Advance Information.

	Domestic		Export		Total	
	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes
Ingots and semi-finished shapes	32,071	29 095	5,298	4 806	37,369	33 901
Rails	17,955	16 288	3,204	2 907	21,159	19 195
Wire rods	50,682	45 978	22,164	20 107	72,846	66 085
Structural shapes:						
Heavy	48,728	44 205	19,725	17 895	68,453	62 100
Bar-sized shapes	12,683	11 506	3,718	3 373	16,401	14 879
Concrete reinforcing bars	25,536	23 167	1,907	1 730	27,443	24 897
Other hot rolled bars	85,608	77 663	10,919	9 905	96,527	87 568
Tie plates and track material	8,738	7 928	1,339	1 215	10,077	9 143
Plates (including plates for pipes and tubes)	94,443	85 680	17,900	16 239	112,343	101 919
Hot rolled sheets and strip	187,124	169 754	14,074	12 767	201,198	182 521
Cold finished bars	7,451	6 761	186	169	7,637	6 930
Cold reduced sheets and strip, cold rolled						
other, coated	152,625	138 459	11,646	10 565	164,271	149 024
Galvanized sheets	76,361	69 274	16,214	14 709	92,575	83 983
Total	800,005	725 758	128,294	116 387	928,299	842 145

*Producers' shipments excluding producers' interchange.

For further information, order the January issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Estimates of Production and Disappearance of Meats, 1977 — Advance Information

Disappearance of red meats in 1977 was 173.6 pounds per capita compared to 174.4 pounds in 1976. There was an increase only in the per capita disappearance of pork. Beef, veal and mutton and lamb were down 2%, 6% and 25% respectively.

For further information, order the 1977 report *Estimates of Meat Production and Disappearance of Meats* (32-220, 35¢), or contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-994-9964), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Per Capita Disappearance of Red Meats 1976, 1977

	1976	1977	Change
		lbs.	
Beef	110.4	108.1	-2.3
Veal	4.9	4.6	-0.3
Pork	53.1	55.5	2.4
Mutton and Lamb	2.4	1.8	-0.6
Offal	3.6	3.6	—
Total	174.4	173.6	-0.8

Department Store Sales by Regions, February 1978

Department store sales totalled \$429.4 million in February, an increase of 9.1% from a year earlier. Sales were up in all regions of Canada.

Department store sales by regions for the latest month, with percentage gains over February 1977 in brackets:

- Ontario, \$153.2 million (8.8%).
- Quebec, \$74.7 million (3.7%).
- British Columbia, \$78.0 million (16.9%).
- Alberta, \$64.6 million (9.8%).
- Atlantic Provinces, \$24.5 million (8.6%).
- Manitoba, \$23.1 million (7.6%).
- Saskatchewan, \$11.3 million (0.7%).

For further information, order the February issue of *Department Store Sales by Regions* (63-004, \$1.50 a year), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Industrial Chemicals, February 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers shipped 75,956,414 pounds (34 453 250 kg) of polyethylene-type synthetic resins in February compared to 59,800,015 pounds (27 124 830 kg) in February 1977.

For further information, order the February issue of *Specified Chemicals* (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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- Industry Price Indexes, November 1977** (62-011, 55¢/\$5.50)
- Transcontinental and Regional Air Carrier Operations, October 1977** (51-001, 40¢/\$4)
- Telephone Statistics, January 1978** (56-002, 15¢/\$1.50)
- Motor Vehicle Shipments, February 1978** (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50)
- Oil Burners and Oil-fired Hot Water Heaters, February 1978** (41-008, 15¢/\$1.50)
- Builders and Shelf Hardware, February 1978** (41-014, 15¢/\$1.50)
- Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, February 1978** (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50)
- Cemented Tungsten Carbide Blanks and Tools, February 1978** (41-013, 15¢/\$1.50)

Shipments of Paper Grocery Bags and Check Stand Sacks by Canadian Manufacturers

	Eastern Canada		Western Canada		Canada Total	
	February 1977	February 1978	February 1977	February 1978	February 1977	February 1978
(thousands of bags)						
Standard Grocery Bags						
Size						
1/4 and 1/2	2,264	2,158	364	1,799	2,628	3,957
1	} 8,573	7,898	3,012	3,425	2,081	3,785
2					9,504	7,538
3 and 4	8,544	11,938	3,035	3,965	11,579	15,903
5	19,176	23,563	4,040	4,942	23,216	28,505
6	2,827	4,656	3,275	3,430	6,102	8,086
7	} 7,152	12,201	6,360	5,814	3,282	4,422
8					10,230	13,593
10	13,213	17,540	3,590	4,118	16,803	21,658
12	3,007	5,255	2,176	2,764	5,183	8,019
14	6,467	10,920	3,634	4,187	10,101	15,107
20	16,328	25,049	7,207	6,623	23,535	31,672
Total	87,551	121,178	36,693	41,067	124,244	162,245
Check Stand Sacks						
No. 1	9,455	10,360	6,710	4,398	16,165	14,758
No. 2	16,114	23,675	—	—	16,114	23,675
No. 3	29,779	32,739	26,515	23,974	56,294	56,713
Nos. 4 and 5	1,476	3,043	—	—	1,476	3,043
Total	56,824	69,817	33,225	28,372	90,049	98,189

Shipments of Paper Grocery Bags and Check Stand Sacks, February 1978 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily

Data in the accompanying table are from a new monthly survey. For further information, contact G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Air Passenger Origin and Destination, Third Quarter 1977 — Advance Information

Third quarter 1977 Canada-U.S.A. Air Passenger Origin and Destination data are now available.

For further information, contact Mrs. J.C. Tessier (613-997-1986), Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

Coal and Coke Statistics, November 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian coal production decreased 10% in November to 2,651,225 tons (2 405 151 metric tonnes) from 2,961,417 tons (2 686 552 metric tonnes) in November 1976. Imports decreased to 1,444,032 tons (1 310 004 metric tonnes) from 1,587,252 tons (1 433 993 metric tonnes). Industrial consumers used 2,266,456 tons (2 056 094 metric tonnes) of coal, up 134,289 tons (121 825 metric tonnes) and 509,369 tons (400 277 metric tonnes) of coke, up 35,830 tons (32 504 metric tonnes).

For further information, order the November issue of *Coal and Coke Statistics* (45-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact Dave Madsen (613-992-4021), Energy and Minerals Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Radio and Television Receiving Sets, February 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of "Made in Canada" colour television sets were 12,444 units in February compared with 27,701 in February 1977.

For further information, order the February issue of *Radio and Television Receiving Sets* (43-004, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers, February 1978 — Advance Information

Producers' trade and industrial sales of paints, varnishes and lacquers totalled \$34,549,480 in February compared to a revised \$31,988,548 in February 1977.

For further information, order the February issue of *Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers* (46-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Housing Starts, in Centres of 10,000 Population and Over (Dwelling Units)

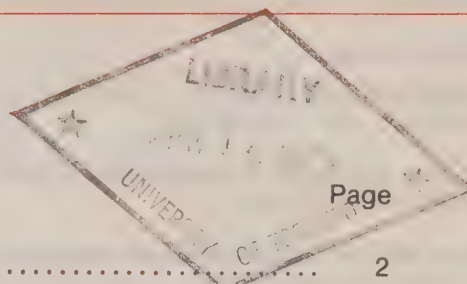
February 1977 and 1978

	1977					1978				
	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total
Newfoundland	17	14	—	—	31	10	10	10	—	30
Prince Edward Island	2	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
Nova Scotia	80	6	80	34	200	110	4	17	74	205
New Brunswick	12	—	—	20	32	50	—	—	—	50
Quebec	970	82	70	1,774	2,896	611	97	54	1,610	2,372
Ontario	460	363	430	1,154	2,407	745	446	552	931	2,674
Manitoba	103	24	—	96	223	154	92	196	488	930
Saskatchewan	182	8	94	—	284	160	2	—	86	248
Alberta	311	84	351	534	1,280	865	376	512	1,580	3,333
British Columbia	520	81	146	892	1,639	698	134	191	896	1,919
Canada Unadjusted	2,657	662	1,171	4,504	8,994	3,403	1,161	1,532	5,665	11,761
Canada, adjusted annual rate (000's)	61.0		151.7		212.7	80.8		170.3		251.1
Canada Cumulative	6,821	1,547	2,591	9,505	20,464	6,613	2,494	3,250	14,362	26,719
Newfoundland	62	14	—	—	76	36	10	10	31	87
Prince Edward Island	6	2	—	—	8	9	—	—	—	9
Nova Scotia	213	16	94	73	396	222	12	17	205	456
New Brunswick	33	2	—	30	65	77	4	—	16	97
Quebec	2,474	186	95	3,874	6,629	1,361	175	59	3,584	5,179
Ontario	1,257	777	1,271	2,284	5,589	1,433	1,012	891	3,219	6,555
Manitoba	281	139	37	242	699	304	209	420	1,554	2,487
Saskatchewan	426	28	94	194	742	303	82	16	900	1,301
Alberta	777	136	488	727	2,128	1,594	678	1,428	2,898	6,598
British Columbia	1,292	247	512	2,081	4,132	1,274	312	409	1,955	3,950

For further information, order the February issue of *Housing Starts and Completions* (64-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact J.P. D  lisle (613-994-9527), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Human Activity and the Environment

The impact of human activity on the environment is emerging as one of the major concerns of the latter half of the 20th century.

In Human Activity and the Environment, Statistics Canada describes statistically some of the major stressors on the environment of this country. Displayed for the first time are census data by 104 watersheds, and manufacturing activity by high, medium and low environmental stressor activity.

Human Activity and the Environment will be valuable to layman and professional researcher alike in analysing and understanding environmental trends.

For further information, contact A. M. Friend (613-992-4571), Office of the Senior Advisor on Integration, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. Order *Human Activity and the Environment* (11-509, price \$2.80 in Canada, \$3.40 elsewhere).

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Consumer Price Movements, March 1978 (62-001, 30¢/\$3) — Available April 12, 1978 at 7 a.m.

Human Activity and the Environment (11-509E, Canada \$2.80; Other Countries \$3.40)

Provincial Government Employment, October-December 1977 (72-007, \$1.05/\$4.20)

Provincial Government Finance, Revenue and Expenditure (Estimates), 1977 —
Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 1978 — (68-205, \$1.40)

Population: Demographic Characteristics — Specified Mother Tongues, 1976
Census of Canada (92-822, \$4.25)

Police Administration Statistics, 1975 and 1976 (85-204, \$2.10)

Commercial Failures (Under the Bankruptcy and Winding-up Acts), Fourth Quarter
1977 (61-002, 70¢/\$2.80)

Mineral Wool, February 1978 (44-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Domestic and Farm Water Systems, February 1978 (41-015, 15¢/\$1.50)

Restaurant Statistics, February 1978 (63-011, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletins:

Communications (56-001, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 8, No. 3, Telecommunication
Statistics, Third Quarter 1977

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 20, Pack of
Processed Cauliflower, 1977

Rubber and Plastics Products Industries (47-002, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 6, No. 10,
Shipments of Plastic Pipes, Tubes, Rigid and Semi-rigid Tubing, Etc., 1975 and 1976

Farm Cash Receipts, January-February 1978 —
Advance Information

Preliminary estimates indicate that during the January-February period of 1978 farmers' total cash receipts from farming operations in all provinces except Newfoundland totalled \$2,014.0 million compared to \$1,964.7 million realized during the same period of 1977. These estimates include: cash receipts from the sale of farm products; Canadian Wheat Board participation payments on previous years' grain crops; cash advances on farm-stored grains in Western Canada; and deficiency payments made by the Agricultural Stabilization Board. No deduction is made for the cost incurred by farmers in the production of the commodities sold.

For further information, order the February issue of *Farm Cash Receipts* (21-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact G. Andrusiak (613-994-9876), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Total Cash Receipts from Farming Operations

January-February
(millions of dollars)

	1977	1978
Prince Edward Island	20.2	16.6
Nova Scotia	18.5	20.3
New Brunswick	19.7	16.9
Quebec	173.7	207.7
Ontario	411.1	490.1
Manitoba	163.1	167.6
Saskatchewan	665.1	587.9
Alberta	423.9	430.4
British Columbia	69.4	76.5
Canada	1,964.7	2,014.0

Electric Power Statistics, January 1978 — Advance
Information

In January, net generation increased to 33.3 TW.h from 30.9 TW.h in January 1977. Hydro generation increased 11.4% while thermal production rose 1.9%.

For further information, order the January issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Dave Madsen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Iron Ore, February 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian mines shipped 1,479,131 short tons of iron ore in February compared to 1,046,253 short tons a year earlier. This brought the two-months output to 3,540,872 short tons in 1978 from 3,888,216 short tons in 1977.

For further information, order the February issue of *Iron Ore* (26-005, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended April 8, 1978 — Advance
Information

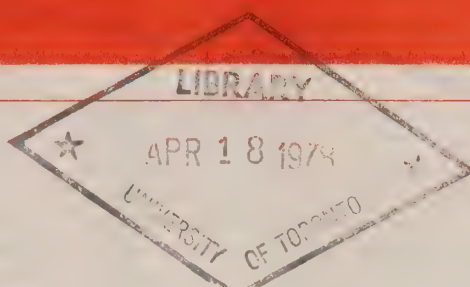
Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended April 8 was 310,338 short tons (281 534 t), an increase of 1.4% from the preceding week's total of 305,995 short tons (277 594 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was 272,940 short tons (247 607 t).

The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 169.4 in the current week, 167.0 a week earlier and 149.0 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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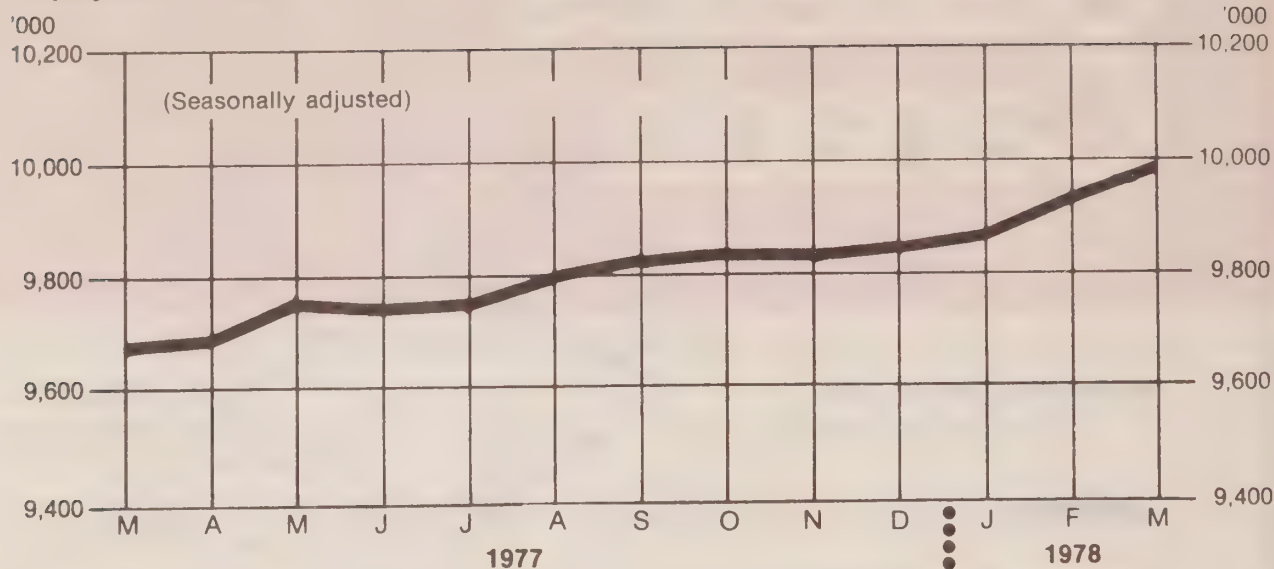
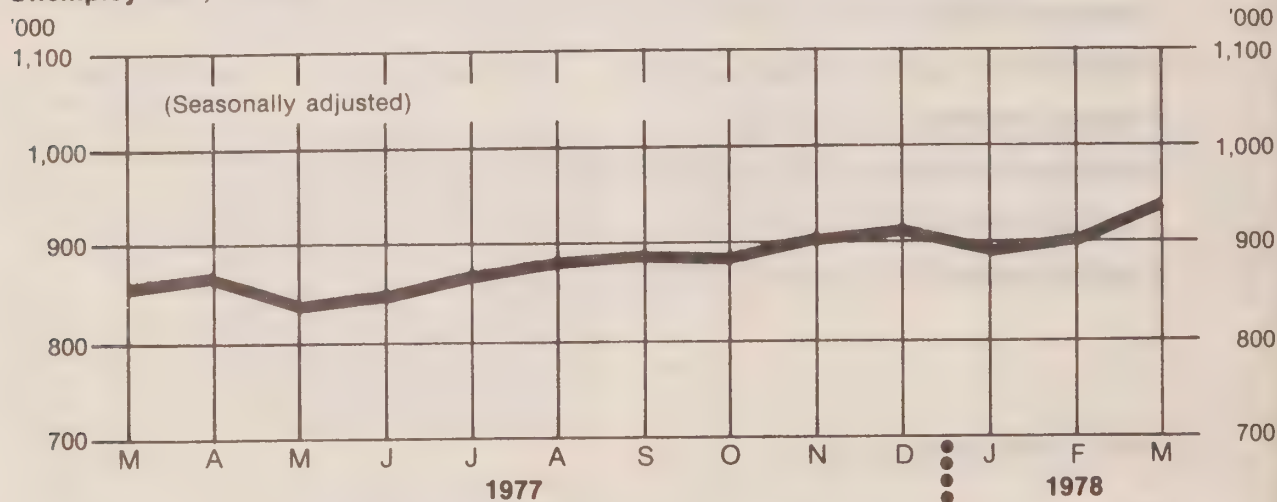
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- Employment, Earnings and Hours, December 1977** (72-002, 70¢/\$7)
- Imports by Countries, January-December 1977** (65-006, \$2.10/\$8.40)
- Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, February 1978** (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50)
- Asbestos, February 1978** (26-001, 15¢/\$1.50)
- Salt, February 1978** (26-009, 15¢/\$1.50)
- Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, February 1978** (43-002, 15¢/\$1.50)
- Electric Lamps, February 1978** (43-009, 15¢/\$1.50)

Employment, Canada**Unemployment, Canada****The Labour Force, March 1978**

Canada's seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate moved up to 8.6% in March from 8.3% in February. The rate in March 1977 was 8.1%.

The adjusted employment level reached 9,984,000 in March, up 50,000 from February. Unemployment stood at 938,000, an increase of 37,000 from the previous month.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, employment increased in March by 23,000 for women 25 years of age and over, by 12,000 for women 15 to 24, by 8,000 for men 25 and over and by 7,000 for men 15 to 24.

The adjusted unemployment level rose for all groups — men 15 to 24 (9,000), women 15 to 24 (6,000), men 25 and over (8,000) and women 25 and over (14,000).

Seasonally-adjusted March unemployment rates for the provinces, with February rates in brackets: Newfoundland 16.5% (15.8%); Prince Edward Island 10.5% (8.2%); Nova Scotia 11.2% (10.3%); New Brunswick 13.3% (13.4%); Quebec 11.5% (10.9%);

Ontario 7.4% (7.0%); Manitoba 6.5% (6.5%); Saskatchewan 5.7% (5.1%); Alberta 4.5% (4.7%); and British Columbia 8.5% (8.4%).

Without seasonal adjustment, the March labour force was 10,726,000 with 9,680,000 employed and 1,045,000 unemployed for an unemployment rate of 9.7%. In February, the labour force was 10,584,000 with 9,577,000 employed and 1,007,000 unemployed for a rate of 9.5%. In March 1977, the labour force numbered 10,294,000 with 9,350,000 employed and 944,000 unemployed for a rate of 9.2%.

For further information, order the March issue of *The Labour Force* (71-001, 55¢/\$5.50).

Water Carriers — Financial Survey, 1976 — Advance Information

Preliminary results of the 1976 Water Carriers — Financial Survey show that 479 Canadian-domiciled commercial and charter carriers generated gross transport revenues totalling \$1.17 billion in 1976.

Of the major water carriers operations undertaken by reporting establishments, the transport of commodities accounted for the highest gross revenue at \$635.7 million, followed by time and voyage charter to others at \$290.1 million, towing at \$97.3 million, the transport of passengers at \$48.4 million and bareboat charter to others at \$35.6 million. The remaining \$144.5 million was primarily from subsidized operations (\$111.7 million).

Two other components of the water transportation industry were surveyed, carriers engaged in sightseeing operations and carriers engaged in the transportation of their own goods. A total of 29 carriers were engaged in sightseeing operations and they generated \$3.4 million revenue. The 47 carriers considered private earned \$112.9 million from their for-hire operations.

For further information, contact D. Chartrand (613-996-9274), Chief, Water Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Footwear Statistics, February 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian production of footwear of all types decreased to 3,311,867 pairs in February from 3,359,979 pairs in February 1977.

For further information, order the February issue of *Footwear Statistics* (33-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Diesel and Natural Gas Engine Sales Survey, 1977 — Advance Information

Total diesel engine sales for 1977 amounted to 40,360 units. Of the total, 19,581 units were sold in Canada, while 20,779 were exported.

Further information will be contained in *Diesel and Natural Gas Engine Sales Survey, 1977* (63-221, 70¢), and advance details may be obtained from the Merchandising and Services Division (613-996-9307), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes, February 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 6,587,706 phonograph records in February, up from 6,043,182 in February 1977. Production of pre-recorded tapes (8-track cartridges and cassettes only) decreased to 1,188,800 from 1,288,409.

For further information, order the February issue of *Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes in Canada* (47-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, March 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for March 1978 was 1,403,115 short tons (1 272 885 t). Pig iron production was 969,064 short tons (879 120 t).

For further information, order the March issue of *Steel Ingots and Pig Iron* (41-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V3.

Telephone Statistics, February 1978 — Advance Information

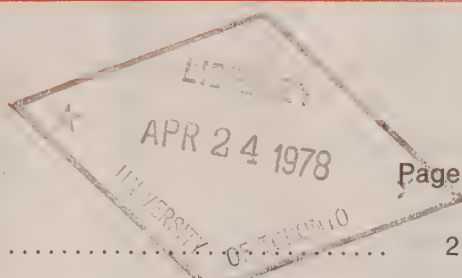
Thirteen major telephone systems reported monthly revenues of \$327.4 million in February, up 16.3% over February 1977. Operating expenses were \$226.5 million, an increase of 13.5%. Net operating revenue at \$100.8 million showed an increase of 23.0% over February 1977. Telephone toll messages increased 7.5% to 77.4 million.

(It should be noted that the labour dispute at the British Columbia Telephone System which began November 24, 1977 was settled February 12, 1978.)

For further information, order the February issue of *Telephone Statistics* (56-002, \$1.50 per year), or contact Patrick Crosby (613-996-9274), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Consumer Price Index for Canada and Main Components

(1971=100)

(Not seasonally adjusted)

	Relative importance(1)	Indexes			% Change		% Contribution to total change	
		1978		1977	March 1978 from			
		Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb. 1978	Mar. 1977	Feb. 1978	Mar. 1977
All items	100	170.8	168.9	157.0	1.1	8.8	100	100
Food	27	197.0	194.3	172.9	1.4	13.9	35	42
All items excluding food	73	161.8	160.1	151.2	1.1	7.0	65	58
Housing	33	171.4	169.6	158.6	1.1	8.1	31	30
Clothing	9	147.2	145.3	138.2	1.3	6.5	11	7
Transportation	15	160.5	158.9	152.0	1.0	5.6	13	9
Health and personal care	4	163.3	161.4	151.1	1.2	8.1	4	4
Recreation, education and reading	6	146.1	145.7	140.3	0.3	4.1	2	3
Tobacco and alcohol	6	150.4	149.1	140.4	0.9	7.1	4	5
Purchasing power of the 1971 consumer dollar	—	0.59	0.59	0.64				
All-items Consumer Price Index converted to 1961=100		227.9						

(1) These rounded weights, provided as a general guide, show the relative importance of the major components of the CPI, on average, during the year 1977.

The Consumer Price Index, March 1978 (62-001, 30¢/\$3)

The all-items Consumer Price Index for Canada (1971=100) advanced 1.1% to 170.8 in March from 168.9 in February. As a result, the 12-month rise between March 1977 and March 1978 stood at 8.8%. Higher food prices, up 1.4% in the latest month, were responsible for one-third of this rise while increased prices for fuel oil and gasoline accounted for an additional one-quarter. While the food index increased 1.4%, the index for all items excluding food rose by 1.1%.

Higher prices for fresh fruit and vegetables and for beef and pork products were largely responsible for the 1.4% rise in the food index. Increased prices for chicken, other meats, canned tuna and for restaurant meals also contributed.

Higher prices for gasoline and fuel oil were large contributing factors in the 1.1% rise in the index for all items excluding food. Electricity rates were also up as rate reductions in many Atlantic urban centres only partially offset the impact of higher rates in other cities. In addition, domestic gas rate increases were registered in many Western cities. Other notable factors included higher charges for dental care, appliance repairs, furniture, footwear and, in Ontario and Saskatchewan, for cigarettes. Between March 1977 and March 1978, the index for all items excluding food advanced 7.0%.

Viewed in terms of goods and services, the price level of goods, including food, increased 1.5% in the latest month while that for services was up 0.5%. Between March 1977 and March 1978, the price level of goods increased 9.8% while that for services rose 7.2%.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, the all-items CPI advanced 1.2% from February to March: this comprised a 1.6% increase in the food index and a 1.0% rise in the index for all items excluding food.

In March, the current annual rate of change in the CPI*, based on the seasonally-adjusted movement in the latest three-month period was 8.1%, up from the 6.9% rate calculated in the previous month.

* See Table 2 and technical notes of this release.

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Oilseeds, February 1978 — Advance Information

Crushings of oilseeds for February, with oil produced and meal produced (all figures in metric tonnes):

- Soybeans: 59 243.40 (9 939.88; 46 357.42).
- Rapeseed: 54 812.35 (22 448.59; 30 740.48).

(Subscribers should note that rapeseed crushings for November 1977 have been revised to a total of 129,063,000 lbs. from the previous total of 115,333,000 lbs.).

For further information, order the February issue of *Oilseeds Review* (22-006, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact J.M. Huard (613-994-9956), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Month-to-Month Percentage Changes in the Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted Consumer Price Index for Canada*

	All items		Food		All items excluding food	
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**
1975						
January	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.5
February	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.7
March	0.5	0.5	-0.4	-0.1	0.9	0.8
April	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6
May	0.8	0.7	1.1	0.6	0.7	0.7
June	1.5	1.2	3.2	2.9	0.8	0.7
July	1.4	1.2	2.3	1.4	1.0	1.1
August	1.0	0.8	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8
September	0.2	0.6	-0.7	0.1	0.7	0.8
October	0.9	1.1	0.4	1.1	1.1	1.1
November	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.8	1.0	0.8
December	0.1	0.3	-0.7	-0.4	0.5	0.7
1976						
January	0.6	0.6	-0.2	-0.1	0.8	0.7
February	0.3	0.2	-0.3	-0.7	0.7	0.7
March	0.4	0.4	-0.7	-0.4	0.8	0.7
April	0.4	0.5	-0.4	-0.2	0.7	0.7
May	0.8	0.7	1.5	0.9	0.6	0.7
June	0.5	0.2	0.2	-0.4	0.5	0.5
July	0.4	0.3	0.3	-0.5	0.6	0.6
August	0.5	0.3	-0.5	-0.5	0.8	0.6
September	0.5	0.8	-0.7	0.0	1.0	1.1
October	0.7	0.9	0.0	0.7	0.8	1.0
November	0.3	0.3	-0.2	0.0	0.5	0.5
December	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.3	0.3
1977						
January	0.9	0.8	1.2	1.4	0.7	0.7
February	0.9	0.8	2.0	1.5	0.5	0.4
March	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.2	1.0	1.1
April	0.6	0.7	1.0	1.2	0.5	0.5
May	0.8	0.6	1.4	0.7	0.5	0.5
June	0.7	0.5	1.1	0.6	0.6	0.6
July	0.9	0.7	2.1	1.2	0.4	0.5
August	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.2
September	0.6	0.9	0.2	1.0	0.7	1.0
October	1.0	1.1	1.4	2.0	0.8	0.8
November	0.7	0.7	0.8	1.1	0.6	0.4
December	0.7	0.9	1.6	2.0	0.3	0.5
1978						
January	0.4	0.3	0.8	0.9	0.2	0.1
February	0.7	0.5	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.6
March	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.6	1.1	1.0

* For some elaboration of methodology, see Appendix I(A) of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes (Catalogue 62-010).

** Seasonally adjusted data are revised annually using updated seasonal adjustment factors. For more information, refer to Appendix II, Consumer Prices and Price Indexes (Catalogue 62-010).

Mineral Production, February 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian mineral production for February and for 1978 to date, with 1977 figures in brackets:

- Gold, 131,206 troy ounces (136,625) — 263,928 troy ounces (274,335).
- Silver, 3,285,889 troy ounces (3,456,290) — 6,522,562 troy ounces (6,576,121).
- Primary copper, 70,285 short tons (72,640) — 132,890 short tons (151,814).
- Primary nickel, 12,833 short tons (22,255) — 30,619 short tons (46,451).
- Refined lead, 17,566 short tons (17,905) — 33,521 short tons (35,808).

- Refined zinc, 41,790 short tons (49,748) — 85,395 short tons (103,122).

For further information, order the February issues of: *Gold Production* (26-004, 15¢/\$1.50); *Silver, Lead and Zinc Production* (26-008, 15¢/\$1.50); and *Copper and Nickel Production* (26-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Percentage of Assets, Sales, Equity and Profits Accounted for by Leading Enterprises Ranked in Terms of Sales, by Control, 1975

	Sales	Assets	Profits	Equity
25 Leading Enterprises				
13 — Canadian	7.7	14.4	10.1	16.4
12 — Foreign	11.5	7.5	12.7	9.6
25 — Total	19.3	21.9	22.8	26.0
50 Leading Enterprises				
27 — Canadian	11.9	19.1	13.3	20.7
23 — Foreign	14.5	10.8	17.7	13.8
50 — Total	26.3	30.0	30.9	34.5
100 Leading Enterprises				
40 — Canadian	14.1	21.6	15.0	22.9
60 — Foreign	20.2	17.6	25.9	22.0
100 — Total	34.3	39.2	40.9	44.9
500 Leading Enterprises				
220 — Canadian	21.2	30.4	24.2	31.1
280 — Foreign	30.0	28.7	39.2	34.3
500 — Total	51.2	59.2	63.4	65.4
All Non-financial Enterprises				
202,808 — Canadian	62.2	62.1	51.6	56.4
3,887 — Foreign	37.8	37.9	48.4	43.6
206,695 — Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

It should be noted that this table differs slightly from statements in the main body of the report as it excludes federal, provincial and municipal crown corporations (i.e. liquor control boards, provincial hydro, marketing boards, etc.).

Corporations and Labour Unions Returns Act, Report for 1975, Part I — Corporations

The annual report, tabled before Parliament on April 12 by the Honourable Jack Horner, Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce, presents for the first time financial characteristics of the leading 500 non-financial enterprises in Canada (an enterprise defined as a corporation or a group of corporations controlled by the same interests).

In a special appendix the report reveals that the top 500 accounted for 51% of sales, 59% of assets, 63% of profits and 65% of equity, while in number they represented less than 0.25% of all non-financial enterprises. The foreign-controlled sector was dominant, in financial terms, and accounted for 280 of the 500.

Differences between Canadian- and foreign-controlled enterprises were particularly evident in the leading 25. Within this group, which accounted for 19% of sales, 22% of assets, 23% of profits and 26% of equity, the foreign-controlled sector had a turnover ratio three times higher than its Canadian counterpart and was more profitable.

Other highlights:

- The profits of Canadian-controlled corporations declined 7% while those of the foreign-controlled sector declined 2%. As a result, the foreign share of non-financial industry profits increased to 45.6%.
- Foreign-controlled corporations maintained a 33% share of assets and a 37% share of sales.
- In manufacturing, the 2,400 foreign-controlled firms had an average asset size of \$18.4 million compared with \$3.3 million for the 25,000 Canadian-controlled firms.
- Canadian-controlled corporations continued to be prominent in the construction, utility, trade and service sectors. Foreign-controlled corporations dominated manufacturing and mineral fuels activity.

(It should be noted that legislative measures are being taken to alleviate the paper burden of small corporations with no detrimental effect on the statistics being published. Bill C-7 — an Act to amend CALURA — received second reading March 3rd and was referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, Trade and Economic Affairs for detailed study. Under the proposed amendments, over 70,000 small, Canadian-owned businesses would no longer be liable to report under CALURA.)

For further information, order *Corporations and Labour Unions Returns Act, Report for 1975, Part I — Corporations* (61-210, no charge), or contact Mr. Peter Blitt (613-996-7888), Business Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, April 1, 1978 — Advance Information

Cold storage holdings of frozen poultry products at April 1 amounted to 59.4 million pounds compared with last year's total of 75.2 million pounds.

For further information, order the April issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

April 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	Apr. 7/78 This week	Mar. 31/78 Week ago	Mar. 10/78 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	102.3	101.1	97.8
Industrials	85	96.5	95.0	90.8
Foods	9	107.7	107.5	105.5
Alcoholic beverages	5	90.4	89.9	85.7
Textiles and clothing	3	133.2	129.7	125.5
Pulp and paper	7	129.1	126.2	116.9
Printing and publishing	5	103.8	103.5	102.4
Primary metals	4	104.2	102.7	101.2
Industrial mines	6	69.2	67.4	61.7
Metal fabricating	9	162.7	159.2	158.7
Non-metallic minerals	4	101.2	100.7	96.6
Petroleum	8	102.6	101.1	98.5
Chemicals	5	106.2	105.6	107.0
Construction	5	280.1	273.4	266.5
Trade	15	83.1	83.1	78.5
Utilities and services	28	104.6	104.1	103.4
Transportation	6	129.1	128.5	127.4
Pipelines	5	89.7	88.6	89.2
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	118.8	118.0	108.3
Telephone	4	109.0	109.2	109.7
Electric power	3	139.9	139.3	139.5
Gas distribution	5	86.5	86.2	84.2
Finances	21	127.9	127.1	124.4
Banks	8	128.4	127.7	126.2
Investment and loan	9	121.5	121.1	116.5
Insurance	4	152.8	149.6	139.0
Mining Index	17	120.9	121.4	122.3
Gold	9	263.5	267.9	275.9
Base metals	8	52.6	51.2	48.7
Uraniums	2	210.7	203.7	183.6
Primary oils and gas index	5	140.8	139.3	133.1

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber,
February 1978 — Advance Information

Production of rubber increased to 42,088,000 pounds (19 090 000 kg) in February from 38,336,000 pounds (17 389 000 kg) in February 1977. Consumption of rubber decreased to 57,124,000 pounds (25 911 000 kg) from a revised 59,182,000 pounds (26 846 000 kg) a year earlier.

For further information, order the February issue of *Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber* (33-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Sugar Sales, March 1978 — Advance Information

For March, Canadian sugar refineries reported total sales of 94 578 966 kilograms (208,510,962 lbs.) of all types of sugar. Domestic sales totalled 83 351 313 kilograms (183,758,220 lbs.) and export sales amounted to 11 227 653 kilograms (24,752,742 lbs.).

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings

10-day period ending March 31

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	2,849,845	3,062,855	5,912,700
Short tons, 1977	3,863,187	2,988,378	6,851,565
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 585 336	2 778 575	5 363 911
Metric tonnes, 1977	3 504 624	2 711 011	6 215 635
% change	-26.2	2.5	-13.7
Cars, 1978	53,370	45,868	99,238
Cars, 1977	65,547	44,101	109,648
% change	-18.6	4.0	-9.5
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	244,624	92,430	337,054
Short tons, 1977	250,475	92,056	342,531
Metric tonnes, 1978	221 919	83 851	305 770
Metric tonnes, 1977	227 227	83 512	310 739
% change	-2.3	0.4	-1.6
Cars, 1978	7,514	3,470	10,984
Cars, 1977	7,846	3,876	11,722
% change	-4.2	-10.5	-6.3
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	29,177,755	26,118,815	55,296,570
Short tons, 1977	28,916,054	26,046,700	54,962,754
Metric tonnes, 1978	26 469 614	23 694 590	50 164 204
Metric tonnes, 1977	26 232 203	23 629 169	49 861 372
% change	0.9	0.3	0.6
Cars, 1978	483,556	393,910	877,466
Cars, 1977	485,267	394,137	879,404
% change	-0.4	-0.1	-0.2
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	2,115,582	751,552	2,867,134
Short tons, 1977	2,005,476	715,793	2,721,269
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 919 224	681 797	2 601 021
Metric tonnes, 1977	1 819 337	649 356	2 468 693
% change	5.5	5.0	5.4
Cars, 1978	62,889	30,126	93,015
Cars, 1977	60,820	30,822	91,642
% change	3.4	-2.3	1.5

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1977 figures have been revised.

Railway Carloadings, 10 Days Ended March 31, 1978
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Canadian railways loaded 5.4 million t (5.9 million short tons) of revenue freight in the above 10 days, a drop of 13.7% from 1977. Contributing to the decline were normal losses experienced during a holiday week-end (Easter occurred between April 8-11 in 1977) and the virtual suspension of rail freight services in northeastern Quebec made necessary by labour problems in the iron mines of that area. Eastern loadings in the latest period fell by 26.2%, while in the West a gain of 2.5% was recorded.

Trailer-container (piggyback) shipments were down 1.6% over-all — loadings in the East decreased 2.3% but in the West this type of traffic showed a slight improvement (0.4%).

In the first quarter of 1978, rail freight loadings were up 0.6% to 50.2 million t (55.3 million short tons). The corresponding carload count was down 0.2% and cumulative container-trailer (piggyback) traffic registered a gain of 5.4%.

For further information, contact Mr. J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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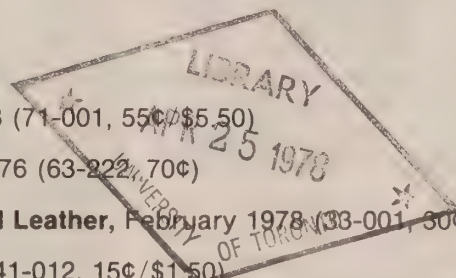
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Help-wanted Index, Canada and Regions, 1972 to 1978Seasonally Adjusted
(1969=100)

Year	QI	QII	QIII	QIV	Annual Average	QI	QII	QIII	QIV	Annual Average
Canada						Atlantic Provinces				
1972	106	111	119	125	115	85	97	102	132	104
1973	130	137	157	171	149	122	124	138	165	137
1974	192	208	212	183	199	217	229	235	264	236
1975	161	165	168	160	164	215	217	248	162	211
1976	169	149	155	156	157	133	132	149	131	136
1977	160	149	148	153	153	172	170	129	136	152
1978	163					131				
Quebec						Ontario				
1972	109	112	117	116	114	105	111	122	128	117
1973	128	126	152	156	140	132	139	159	165	149
1974	181	213	214	205	203	175	182	181	143	170
1975	181	193	220	207	200	121	119	114	108	116
1976	210	186	193	190	195	116	100	103	103	106
1977	193	180	186	198	189	110	105	98	103	104
1978	216					104				
Prairie Provinces						British Columbia				
1972	108	115	122	139	121	105	106	118	122	113
1973	129	143	155	197	156	133	159	176	199	167
1974	217	235	253	216	230	226	234	243	182	221
1975	194	210	188	193	196	155	153	149	151	152
1976	211	197	214	227	212	165	138	142	149	149
1977	212	192	199	190	198	149	144	148	146	147
1978	212					135				

Help-wanted Index, First Quarter 1978 — Published only in Statistics Canada Daily

The seasonally-adjusted help-wanted index (1969=100) rose to 163 in the first quarter of 1978, up 7% from the fourth quarter of 1977. Increases were recorded in the Prairie Provinces (12%), Quebec (9%) and in Ontario (1%) while decreases were noted in British Columbia (-8%) and the Atlantic Provinces (-4%).

Although the over-all index was up 2% when compared with the first quarter of 1977, three of the regions — the Atlantic Provinces, British Columbia and Ontario — reported declines; Quebec showed a rise of 12% and the index for the Prairie Provinces remained unchanged.

For further information, contact George Fincham (613-992-7461), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Retail Trade, February 1978 — Advance Information

Seasonally-adjusted retail sales for February were \$5,633.8 million, an increase of 4.3% from the \$5,403.6 million recorded in January. Sales were up in all 28 trade groups with sporting goods and accessories stores (26.3%), household appliance stores (12.3%) and service stations (8.7%) showing the largest gains. Sales increased in seven provinces, ranging from 7.1% for Nova Scotia to 0.2% for Prince Edward Island; the only decreases were in Manitoba (-1.6%), Saskatchewan (-1.3%) and Newfoundland (-0.2%).

Total retail trade without seasonal adjustment reached \$4,526.5 million, an increase of 13.0% over February 1977. Sales rose in 26 of the 28 trade groups with specialty shoe stores (-10.8%) and furniture, television, radio and appliance stores (-10.5%) having the only decreases. The largest gains were registered by garages (27.9%) and all other food stores (25.9%). All provinces except Saskatchewan (-0.2%) posted increased sales over February 1977, ranging from 17.2% for British Columbia to 11.2% for Quebec. Montreal sales rose 12.5%; Toronto 14.8%; Winnipeg 16.6%; and Vancouver 17.6%.

Revised total retail trade, unadjusted for seasonal influences, for January was \$4,379.6 million, up 6.5% from January 1977.

For further information, order the February issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Building Permits

(million of dollars)

		1977					1978				
		Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total	Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total
Canada —											
Unadjusted	Jan.	261.6	42.5	116.5	59.9	480.5	261.3	46.6	100.5	89.5	497.9
Canada —											
Adjusted	Jan.	585.2	84.5	190.9	106.3	966.9	569.9	89.3	151.5	150.3	961.0
Canada January											
Unadjusted		261.6	42.5	116.5	59.9	480.5	261.3	46.6	100.5	89.5	497.9
Newfoundland		.7	—	.3	—	1.0	1.0	.1	1.7	.1	2.9
Prince Edward Island		1.1	—	.1	—	1.2	1.2	.2	.1	2.5	4.0
Nova Scotia		4.4	.1	1.7	3.0	9.2	8.5	.1	1.2	2.4	12.2
New Brunswick		1.6	.3	2.3	.6	4.8	.7	1.1	1.0	.4	3.2
Quebec		39.0	8.7	22.3	15.0	85.0	30.7	5.8	11.9	16.1	64.5
Ontario		74.2	16.6	30.0	7.7	128.5	48.7	24.8	25.5	7.4	106.4
Manitoba		16.0	.7	4.1	3.6	24.4	13.5	.6	3.6	4.3	22.0
Saskatchewan		10.9	1.2	7.3	1.6	21.0	16.8	.1	4.9	5.5	27.3
Alberta		53.9	8.6	25.3	19.1	106.9	94.8	10.1	24.5	46.0	175.4
British Columbia		59.6	6.3	23.1	9.3	98.3	44.9	3.7	25.9	4.8	79.3
Northwest Territories		.2	—	—	—	.2	.5	—	.2	—	.7

Building Permits, January 1978 — Advance Information

The seasonally-adjusted value of building permits issued during January 1978 dropped 16.7% to \$961 million from \$1,155 million in December 1977. In January 1977, the total was \$967 million.

The drop was due to decreases in the number and value of residential permits which had reached record levels in November and December. In January, a seasonally-adjusted \$570 million worth of new housing construction was authorized compared to \$788 million in December. There was a slight increase in the number of single-detached homes from a level of 8,453 units in December to 8,865 in January, but this was more than offset by a major decrease in multiple dwellings from 16,301 units in December to 8,839 in January (the January figures may be translated into annual rates of 106,400 singles and 106,000 multiples; corresponding rates in December were 101,400 singles and 195,600 multiples).

Non-residential permit values which totalled \$391 million in January were 6.6% higher than in December (\$367 million). But only the government sector experienced greater activity in January with projects estimated at a seasonally-adjusted \$150 million compared to \$81 million in December. Industrial projects totalling \$89 million showed little change from December (\$92 million), while commercial projects declined from \$194 million to \$151 million in January.

Regionally, the relative share of new building construction authorized in Ontario fell from 30.0% of the national total in December to 21.3% in January; it decreased from 7.4% to 4.5% in the Atlantic Provinces; and decreased from 14.0% to 12.9% of the national total in Quebec. However, permits in the Prairie Provinces represented a larger share of the total in

January (45.1%) than in December (35.7%), and British Columbia accounted for 15.9% of all permits issued in January compared to 12.8% in December.

Latest information provided by municipalities indicates that residential permits remained weak in February, suggesting that housing starts may drop sharply in the second quarter of 1978.

For further information, order the January issue of *Building Permits* (64-001, 70¢/\$7), or contact J.P. Delisle (613-994-9312), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Building Permits

January 1978

	Number of Dwelling Units			Value of Residential and Non-Residential Construction				
	Singles	Multiples	Total	Residen- tial	Indus- trial	Commer- cial	Institu- tional and govern- mental	Total
				(\$000)				
Newfoundland	14	29	43	1,045	47	1,670	104	2,866
Prince Edward Island	18	26	44	1,216	185	59	2,532	3,992
Nova Scotia	134	176	310	8,487	123	1,177	2,417	12,204
New Brunswick	15	—	15	710	1,073	976	434	3,193
Quebec	442	678	1,120	30,732	5,824	11,869	16,050	64,475
Ontario	495	894	1,389	48,709	24,779	25,498	7,431	106,417
Manitoba	189	254	443	13,472	582	3,630	4,279	21,963
Saskatchewan	190	384	574	16,796	62	4,940	5,509	27,307
Alberta	1,220	1,849	3,069	94,814	10,122	24,469	45,973	175,378
British Columbia	681	669	1,350	44,897	3,747	25,933	4,797	79,374
Yukon	6	—	6	260	—	221	2	483
Northwest Territories	4	—	4	202	10	8	33	253
Canada — Adjusted	8,865	8,839	17,704	569,921	89,338	151,472	150,270	961,001
Canada — Unadjusted	3,408	4,959	8,367	261,340	46,554	100,450	89,561	497,905
Metropolitan Areas	2,220	3,963	6,183	192,102	25,023	75,095	63,141	355,361
Calgary	401	317	718	23,868	32	8,134	22,979	55,013
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	5	6	11	675	106	331	—	1,112
Edmonton	360	1,172	1,532	44,197	2,268	10,521	10,015	67,001
Halifax	68	111	179	5,208	—	931	379	6,518
Hamilton	12	16	28	1,090	5,479	1,167	1,602	9,338
Hull	12	—	12	488	2	629	348	1,467
Kitchener	31	86	117	3,552	1,078	2,273	721	7,624
London	8	—	8	331	120	352	—	803
Montreal	140	471	611	14,352	1,568	4,092	4,536	24,548
Oshawa	44	28	72	2,447	67	21	7	2,542
Ottawa	30	169	199	6,281	1,181	1,262	1,395	10,119
Quebec	133	97	230	7,517	123	3,848	9,371	20,859
Regina	104	54	158	5,411	—	2,600	3,622	11,633
St. Catharines-Niagara	12	26	38	1,247	312	636	50	2,245
Saint John	—	—	—	85	14	573	81	753
St. John's	11	4	15	494	—	944	104	1,542
Saskatoon	72	163	235	6,747	46	1,421	1,190	9,404
Sudbury	—	—	—	64	31	115	1	211
Thunder Bay	4	4	8	365	108	540	3	1,016
Toronto	180	351	531	21,140	2,362	9,019	1,501	34,022
Vancouver	371	559	930	29,446	2,827	20,150	1,732	54,155
Victoria	37	78	115	3,822	—	374	8	4,204
Windsor	16	—	16	974	6,720	2,774	369	10,837
Winnipeg	169	251	420	12,301	579	2,388	3,127	18,395

Metropolitan Areas are based on 1976 Census Area definitions.

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Cement, February 1978 (44-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Urban Transit, February 1978 (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Index of Industrial Production

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1977		1978		% Change
		Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	
Index of Industrial Production	29.497	125.5	126.0	124.6	125.7	0.9
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	112.2	111.6	105.9	109.1	3.0
Metal mines	1.584	104.4	104.2	102.2	101.4	-0.8
Mineral fuels	1.492	119.6	119.8	107.0	115.9	8.3
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)	.363	122.4	118.6	122.0	120.2	-1.5
Manufacturing industries	22.862	124.4	124.4	123.2	124.2	0.8
Food and beverage industries	3.254	116.2	116.9	117.2	118.9	1.5
Tobacco products industries	.212	122.5	122.7	118.2	122.3	3.5
Rubber and plastics products industries	.650	154.8	157.7	153.7	156.9	2.1
Leather industries	.206	90.4	87.1	87.1	91.0	4.5
Textile industries	.756	109.9	111.0	110.1	109.8	-0.3
Knitting mills	.205	89.9	89.7	90.5	91.1	0.7
Clothing industries	.742	109.2	109.5	109.9	110.0	0.1
Wood industries	.968	147.8	146.3	145.5	139.2	-4.3
Furniture and fixture industries	.420	103.1	105.5	104.4	105.0	0.6
Paper and allied industries	1.878	118.4	118.0	120.1	123.5	2.8
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	114.3	113.8	114.8	115.4	0.5
Primary metal industries	1.976	115.4	109.9	114.8	119.4	4.0
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.887	129.5	129.8	128.9	129.2	0.2
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.008	138.4	138.1	136.7	135.9	-0.6
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	140.7	143.5	132.6	132.3	-0.2
Electrical products industries	1.631	107.2	108.2	106.4	105.2	-1.1
Non-metallic mineral products industries	.905	130.4	131.1	124.9	128.5	2.9
Petroleum and coal products industries	.394	131.2	134.9	133.2	134.1	0.7
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.363	149.1	147.9	150.3	153.0	1.8
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	.713	110.4	108.9	107.3	107.8	0.5
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	153.2	158.6	161.6	160.0	-1.0
Special industry groupings:						
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	120.9	121.1	121.4	123.2	1.5
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	127.8	127.7	124.9	125.2	0.2

Index of Industrial Production, February 1978 — Advance Information

The seasonally-adjusted index of industrial production (1971=100) increased 0.9% in February to 125.7 from 124.6 in January. Mining and manufacturing showed increases, while utilities declined during the month.

For further information, order the February issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (including the Index of Industrial Production)* (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Wholesale Trade, February 1978 — Advance Information

Sales by wholesale merchants for February were estimated at \$4,443,582,000, up 16.1% from \$3,828,367,000 in February 1977.

Wholesale inventories were valued at \$7,784,312,000, an increase of 5.6% from stocks of \$7,368,976,000 on hand at the end of February last year.

For further details, order the February issue of *Wholesale Trade* (63-008, 15¢/\$1.50).

Oils and Fats — Manufacturers' Sales

February 1978 — Advance Information

	Margarine	Shortening*	Salad Oils	Margarine	Shortening*	Salad Oils
	thousands of pounds			metric tonnes		
Retail (20 lbs. (9.072 kg) or less)						
1978	32,321	3,593	6,443	14 660	1 630	2 922
1977	21,080	4,470r	7,298	9 562	2 028r	3 311
Commercial (21-450 lbs. (9.525-204.117 kg)						
1978	1,613	12,593	1,584	732	5 712	718
1977	1,963	11,479r	1,375	890	5 207r	624
Bulk						
To packagers or bottlers						
1978	9,162	3,433	7,709	4 156	1 557	3 497
1977	12,306	3,773	7,072	5 582	1 711	3 208
To other than packagers or bottlers						
1978	x	13,371	4,217	x	6 065	1 913
1977	—	11,438	2,943	—	5 188	1 335

* Includes baking and frying oils and fats.

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r Revised figures.

— Nil.

For further information, order the February issue of *Oils and Fats* (32-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Preliminary Monthly Report of Petroleum Sales, February 1978

(Thousands of Barrels)

	Motor Gasoline	Aviation Turbo Fuel	Kerosene and Stove Oil	Diesel Fuel	Light Fuel	Heavy Fuel	Other Products	Total Products
Newfoundland	242	85	89	162	330	385	23	1,316
Prince Edward Island	77	5	27	9	129	56	5	308
Nova Scotia	522	45	131	264	926	1,090	81	3,059
New Brunswick	459	38	97	147	651	1,081	64	2,537
Quebec	4,235	472	697	1,149	5,777	3,460	1,048	16,838
Ontario	6,133	550	322	1,378	5,717	3,172	1,848	19,120
Manitoba	765	101	164	287	229	122	53	1,721
Saskatchewan	862	42	200	275	224	6	61	1,670
Alberta	1,919	242	88	897	128	3	359	3,636
British Columbia	1,778	239	134	920	751	471	362	4,655
Northwest Territories	17	25	11	33	62	—	8	156
Yukon	18	5	34	27	30	—	2	116
Canada	17,027	1,849	1,994	5,548	14,954	9,846	3,914	55,132
Canada 1977	15,993	1,741	2,064	5,557	14,688	9,850	3,826	53,719
% change 1978/1977	6.5	6.2	-3.4	-0.2	1.8	-0.1	2.3	2.6

Refined Petroleum Products, February 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary data for February shows that net sales of all refined petroleum products amounted to 55,132,000 barrels, an increase of 2.6% over the February 1977 total of 53,719,000 barrels.

Canadian refineries produced 52,942,000 barrels of refined petroleum products in February, a decrease of 1.1% from 53,528,000 barrels a year earlier.

For further information, order the February issue of *Refined Petroleum Products* (45-004, 40¢/\$4), or contact G.R. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Fish Freezings and Stocks, February 1978 — Advance Information

Advance data from the *Fish Freezings and Stocks* report for the month of February is now available.

For further information, order the February issue of *Fish Freezings and Stocks* (24-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Federal Government Employment, Fourth Quarter 1977 — Advance Information

Including members of the Canadian Armed Forces, the federal government and its enterprises had 589,030 employees as of December 1977, an increase of 12,886 from December 1976. The addition of new government enterprises, mainly Petro Canada, de Havilland Aircraft, Canadair and Connaught Laboratories, with a total employment of 8,774, was the major reason for the increase.

Gross payroll (including overtime and retroactive payments) for the fourth quarter of 1977 was \$2,181.6 million, an increase of \$61.6 million over the corresponding quarter in 1976. For most employees, the payroll reported for the fourth quarter of 1977 was for a period of 12 weeks, while the fourth quarter of 1976 was for a period of 14 weeks.

For further information, order the fourth quarter issue of *Federal Government Employment* (72-004, 70¢/\$2.80), or contact Mr. T. Moore (613-995-0669), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies, January 1978 — Advance Information

Production of lumber in sawmills east of the Rockies decreased in January to 459,636,000 feet board measure (1 084 621 m³) from a revised 502,105,000 feet board measure (1 184 837 m³) in January 1977. Stocks on hand at the end of January totalled 1,002,248,000 feet board measure (2 365 041 m³).

For further information, order the January issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies* (35-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Particle Board, February 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian firms produced 56,199,000 square feet (5 221 000 m²) 5/8" (15.9 mm) basis of particle board in February compared to 39,863,000 square feet (3 703 000 m²) in February 1977, an increase of 41.0%.

For further information, order the February issue of *Particle Board* (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production of Eggs and Poultry, February 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian egg production increased 2.9% to 36.9 million dozen in February from 35.9 million dozen in February 1977. The average number of layers at 24.4 million was approximately the same as a year earlier, while the number of eggs per 100 layers increased 2.7% to 1,815 from 1,767. Farm price of eggs sold for market decreased 5.2% to 62.5 cents a dozen from 65.9 cents a dozen in February 1977.

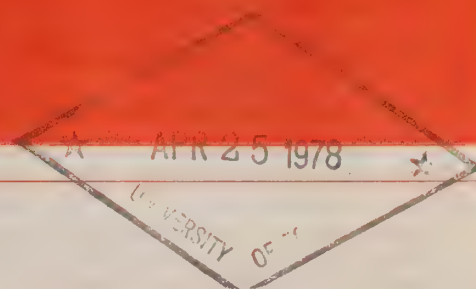
For further information, order the February issue of *Production of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact J.H. Dickson (613-994-9964), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Tobacco Products — Cigarettes and Cigars, March 1978 — Advance Information

Production of cigarettes for March amounted to 6.4 billion compared to 6.5 billion for March 1977. Production of cigars totalled 39.6 million, up from 38.0 million in March 1977.

For further information, order the March issue of *Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products* (32-022, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Appendix to Catalogue 82-211 Available

Now available free of charge is a list of hospitals (by province) with therapeutic abortion committees as at January 1, 1978. This list forms an appendix to the annual report on therapeutic abortions (catalogue 82-211).

For copies of the list, contact Mr. S. Wadhera (613-995-0861), Hospital Morbidity Section, Health Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry, December 1977 (72-008, 40¢/\$4)

Air Carrier Operations in Canada, April-June 1977 (51-002, \$1.40/\$5.60)

Shipping Statistics, December 1977 (54-002, 30¢/\$3)

Coal and Coke Statistics, October 1977 (45-002, 40¢/\$4)

Steel Pipe and Tube Mills, 1976 (41-220, 70¢)

Production of Eggs and Poultry, January 1978 (23-003, 30¢/\$3)

Specified Chemicals, February 1978 (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries, February 1978 (43-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Breweries, February 1978 (32-019, 15¢/\$1.50)

Specified Domestic Electrical Appliances, February 1978 (43-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Distilled Beverage Spirits and Industrial Ethyl Alcohol, February 1978 (32-021, 15¢/\$1.50)

Concrete Products, February 1978 (44-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers, February 1978 (46-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Radio and Television Receiving Sets, February 1978 (43-004, 30¢/\$3)

Consumer Credit, February 1978 — Advance Information

Consumer credit outstanding on the books of selected holders reporting monthly reached \$24,873 million at the end of February, an increase of 11.4% from a year earlier.

Outstanding balances of monthly-reporting credit holders at the end of February 1978, with percentage changes from a year earlier:

- Chartered banks' personal loans: \$19,019 million, up 15.0%.
- Quebec savings banks' personal loans: \$88 million, up 18.9%.
- Life insurance companies' policy loans: \$1,289 million, up 3.6%.
- Sales finance and consumer loan companies' loans: small \$201 million, down 11.1%; large \$1,443 million, down 2.8%; instalment sales paper \$1,058 million, down 4.6%.
- Department stores and furniture, TV, radio and household appliance stores: \$1,416 million, up 5.4%.
- Trust and mortgage companies' personal loans: \$359 million, up 19.3%.

Credit holders reporting quarterly had combined outstanding balances of \$6,434 million at the end of the fourth quarter of 1977, up 15.0% from a year earlier. The largest of these credit holders, credit unions and caisses populaires, reported balances outstanding of \$4,568 million, up 17.6% (also included in the quarterly total: other retail stores; other credit-card issuers; and public utilities).

Including quarterly reporters, outstanding balances at the end of 1977 totalled \$31,234 million, up 12.6% from a year earlier.

For further information, order the February issue of *Consumer Credit* (61-004, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Decorative Laminate Sheet, January-March 1978 — Advance Information

Domestic shipments of 1/8-inch high pressure laminate sheet totalled 20.4 million square feet (1.9 mm²) with a value of \$8.2 million in the March quarter of 1978. In the same quarter of 1977, totals were 22.3 million square feet (2.1 mm²) and \$8.4 million.

For further information, order the March issue of *Rubber and Plastic Products Industries Service Bulletin* (47-002, \$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended April 15, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended April 15 was 316,554 short tons (287 173 t), an increase of 2.0% from the preceding week's total of 310,338 short tons (281 534 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was 281,220 short tons (255 118 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 172.8 in the current week, 169.4 a week earlier and 153.5 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Charlottetown, Fredericton, Moncton, Saint John and Sydney by calling the operator and asking for ZENITH 22066. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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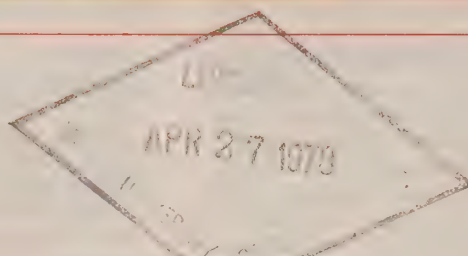
Selected Principal Statistics for the Office and Store Machinery Manufacturing Industry for 1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	39	47	20.5
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	4,586	4,536	-1.1
Man-hours paid	000's	8,933	9,433	5.6
Manufacturing wages	\$000	52,265	53,912	3.2
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	2,556	3,060	19.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	227,576	255,809	12.4
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	372,575	412,017	10.6
Value added	\$000	141,360	153,472	8.6
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	9,613	9,758	1.5
Total salaries and wages	\$000	116,833	129,870	11.2
Total value added	\$000	245,130	253,330	3.3

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Office and Store Machinery Manufacturers, 1976* (42-216, 70¢).

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Book Publishing, 1976

Preliminary results of the 1976 Book Publishing Survey are now available. These results provide information on the industry according to net sales (domestic, export and total), country of financial control of the firm, sales by language of the publishers and of the publishers' books, number of titles published and reprinted, publishers' sales by activity (i.e. publishing or distribution of books as an exclusive agent), grants and book sales by customer category. Information on this survey may be obtained from Rosemary Campbell (613-593-6862), Arts and Media Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, March 1978 (62-009, 30¢/\$3)

Canadian Statistical Review, March 1978 (11-003E, 70¢/\$7)

Urban Family Food Expenditure, 1976 (62-545, \$3.50)

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Hospital Statistics, Volume I — Beds, Services, Personnel, 1975 (83-227, \$3.50)

Cheques Cashed, February 1978 (61-001, 30¢/\$3)

Farm Wages in Canada, February 1978 (21-002, 35¢/\$1.40)

Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, March 1978 (41-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletins:

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation (32-023, \$1.40 a year), 1977, Vol. 6: No. 21, Pack of Processed Brussels Sprouts; No. 22, Pack of Processed Broccoli; No. 23, Pack of Processed Spinach

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, March 1978 (62-009, 30¢/\$3)

The consumer price index for each regional city measures price change from one time-period to another within that specific city. Thus, while city CPI's show the movement of prices in each city, they do not indicate price-level differences between cities. Some such inter-city price comparisons are published separately: for references see footnote to ensuing tables.

From February to March, consumer price indexes rose in all regional cities with increases ranging from 0.8% in Saskatoon to 1.5% in Calgary. Higher food prices — notably those for meats, fresh produce and restaurant meals — together with increased prices for gasoline and fuel oil were largely responsible for these advances. Other important contributing factors included higher prices for selected clothing items, increased cigarette prices resulting largely from sales tax increases in Ontario and Saskatchewan and higher charges for dental care and television repairs.

St. John's

All items: February to March 1978, up 1.0%; March 1977 to March 1978, up 7.8%.

Main contributors: higher prices for fuel oil and gasoline; increased prices for fresh produce and pork. Cigarette prices were also up.

Halifax

All items: February to March 1978, up 1.0%; March 1977 to March 1978, up 8.0%.

Main contributors: higher prices for fuel oil and gasoline; prices up for fresh vegetables, coffee, soft drinks and restaurant meals while beef prices declined. Higher prices for men's wear and increased charges for television repairs.

Saint John

All items: February to March 1978, up 0.9%; March 1977 to March 1978, up 7.8%.

Main contributors: increased fuel oil and gasoline prices accompanied by lower electricity rates. Higher prices for selected clothing items. Prices also up for chicken and fresh fruit while those for beef declined.

Quebec City

All items: February to March 1978, up 1.2%; March 1977 to March 1978, up 8.7%.

Main contributors: increased prices for fresh produce and meat; higher fuel oil and gasoline prices. Prices also up for selected clothing items while local transit fares declined.

Montreal

All items: February to March 1978, up 1.2%; March 1977 to March 1978, up 8.6%.

Main contributors: increased prices for fresh produce, beef and restaurant meals while prices for soft drinks declined. Higher fuel oil and gasoline prices. Advances also noted for prices of selected clothing items including footwear.

Ottawa

All items: February to March 1978, up 1.0%; March 1977 to March 1978, up 8.3%.

Main contributors: higher prices for fuel oil and gasoline; increased prices for fresh produce and chicken while those for beef declined. Prices also up for men's wear, dental care and for cigarettes.

Toronto

All items: February to March 1978, up 1.0%; March 1977 to March 1978, up 8.3%.

Main contributors: higher prices for fuel oil and gasoline. Prices up for fresh produce, pork and chicken. Higher prices also reported for selected clothing items, dental care and for cigarettes.

Thunder Bay

All items: February to March 1978, up 1.0%; March 1977 to March 1978, up 9.0%.

Main contributors: higher domestic gas and water rates; fuel oil and gasoline prices were also up. Prices up for meats and fresh fruit while those for soft drinks declined. Higher dental care charges and higher cigarette prices.

Winnipeg

All items: February to March 1978, up 1.2%; March 1977 to March 1978, up 9.0%.

Main contributors: higher prices for meats, fresh produce and restaurant meals. Increased prices for domestic gas, fuel oil and gasoline. Clothing prices, television repair charges and dental care fees also up.

Saskatoon

All items: February to March 1978, up 0.8%; March 1977 to March 1978, up 8.5%.

Main contributors: higher prices for fresh fruit, pork and chicken while prices for beef and other meat products declined; increased prices for gasoline. Cigarette prices were up as were those for selected clothing items.

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Regina

All items: February to March 1978, up 1.0%; March 1977 to March 1978, up 9.9%.

Main contributors: higher gasoline prices and increased local transit fares. Prices up for beef, pork and fresh produce while those for chicken and coffee declined. Cigarette prices were up.

Edmonton

All items: February to March 1978, up 1.0%; March 1977 to March 1978, up 8.9%.

Main contributors: higher domestic gas rates and increased gasoline prices; clothing prices were up as were television repair charges. Prices for pork and for fresh fruit were also higher.

Calgary

All items: February to March 1978, up 1.5%; March 1977 to March 1978, up 8.9%.

Main contributors: higher prices for meats and fresh fruit; increased gasoline prices and higher domestic gas rates. Local transit fares were up as were dental care fees.

Vancouver

All items: February to March 1978, up 1.1%; March 1977 to March 1978, up 7.7%.

Main contributors: increased rates for domestic gas and for electricity; higher prices for fuel oil and gasoline. Beef, pork and fresh produce prices were up. Clothing prices also advanced while automobile insurance rates declined.

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Travel Price Index, 1977 — Advance Information

The Travel Price Index (1971=100) for 1977 rose to 171.5. This represents an increase of 11.5 points or 7.2% over the previous year, and a reading 10.7 points higher than the Consumer Price Index. For further information, contact Doug Higgins (613-995-9689), Travel, Tourism and Recreation Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z5.

Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables, February 1978 — Advance Information

Advance information on canned and frozen fruits and vegetables for the month of February is now available.

For further information, order the February issue of *Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables* (32-011, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Travel Survey, April-June 1977 — Advance Information

Estimates show that there were over 8 million residents of Canada of all ages from more than 3.5 million households who took trips of 50 miles or more away from home with destinations in Canada in the second quarter of 1977. This travel is represented by 25,152,000 person-trips or 13,220,000 household-trips.

The automobile was by far the most popular mode of transportation used (88.7% of person-trips), followed by bus (4.1%) and by plane (3.6%).

Canadians residents reported that most frequently they travelled entirely for personal and pleasure reasons (50.5% of person-trips) while visiting friends or relatives was their purpose in 27.7% of person-trips and business was one of their reasons for travelling in the case of 20.9% of person-trips.

A summary of findings on selected characteristics of travel in Canada, measured in terms of person-trips and household-trips by province of destination in Canada, will be presented in the *Education, Science and Culture Division Service Bulletin* (81-001, Vol. 7, No. 2, free) scheduled to be released at the end of May. For further information, contact André Lord (613-995-9689), Travel, Tourism and Recreation Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z5.

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, April 1, 1978 — Advance Information

Total frozen meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of April amounted to 94.7 million pounds compared with 100.2 million last month and 129.2 million a year earlier.

For further information, order the April issue of *Stocks of Frozen Meat Products* (32-012, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.**

	All items	Food	Hous- ing	Cloth- ing	Trans- porta- tion (1971=100)	Health and personal care	Recre- ation education and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
St. John's								
March 1978 index	174.6	207.8	172.9	141.2	164.7	169.5	140.8	151.9
February 1978 index	172.8	206.3	169.8	140.7	163.4	168.6	140.0	150.6
% change from February 1978	1.0	0.7	1.8	0.4	0.8	0.5	0.6	0.9
% change from March 1977	7.8	10.8	7.9	7.1	4.4	5.7	3.5	7.1
Halifax								
March 1978 index	164.6	191.6	162.4	137.0	163.1	154.9	139.8	143.0
February 1978 index	163.0	189.9	160.5	135.3	161.5	154.1	138.8	143.2
% change from February 1978	1.0	0.9	1.2	1.3	1.0	0.5	0.7	-0.1
% change from March 1977	8.0	9.2	10.5	4.7	4.6	9.5	3.8	5.0
Saint John								
March 1978 index	167.9	199.1	164.3	136.6	162.5	167.3	152.3	138.4
February 1978 index	166.4	197.9	162.6	134.5	160.4	166.3	152.3	137.8
% change from February 1978	0.9	0.6	1.0	1.6	1.3	0.6	0.0	0.4
% change from March 1977	7.8	10.5	8.4	4.8	6.4	8.0	2.0	4.1
Quebec City								
March 1978 index	165.8	199.4	158.2	140.8	161.8	159.6	143.7	149.6
February 1978 index	163.9	195.5	156.4	139.1	160.6	157.6	143.8	149.6
% change from February 1978	1.2	2.0	1.2	1.2	0.7	1.3	-0.1	0.0
% change from March 1977	8.7	12.7	8.5	5.5	5.5	10.2	3.0	7.2
Montreal								
March 1978 index	167.5	198.0	155.3	154.4	162.2	162.6	150.0	153.2
February 1978 index	165.5	195.1	153.5	151.3	160.6	162.1	149.3	153.1
% change from February 1978	1.2	1.5	1.2	2.0	1.0	0.3	0.5	0.1
% change from March 1977	8.6	11.2	9.1	8.0	4.7	9.3	4.3	7.4
Ottawa								
March 1978 index	167.7	191.0	163.7	157.1	159.5	160.9	141.8	156.1
February 1978 index	165.9	189.2	161.6	155.4	157.9	158.7	142.2	153.2
% change from February 1978	1.1	1.0	1.3	1.1	1.0	1.4	-0.3	1.9
% change from March 1977	8.3	12.8	7.1	7.8	5.7	7.6	3.7	9.3
Toronto								
March 1978 index	166.4	192.7	160.7	144.3	159.3	169.9	146.3	153.0
February 1978 index	164.8	191.0	159.2	142.6	157.9	167.0	146.3	149.8
% change from February 1978	1.0	0.9	0.9	1.2	0.9	1.7	0.0	2.1
% change from March 1977	8.3	11.8	7.8	6.7	5.6	7.8	4.1	9.3
Thunder Bay								
March 1978 index	169.0	196.0	167.1	139.1	167.6	168.1	145.5	150.3
February 1978 index	167.3	193.8	165.0	138.8	166.6	166.8	145.6	148.4
% change from February 1978	1.0	1.1	1.3	0.2	0.6	0.8	-0.1	1.3
% change from March 1977	9.0	14.6	7.5	7.3	5.5	10.0	5.2	8.8
Winnipeg								
March 1978 index	171.8	199.5	175.7	147.3	159.6	165.1	144.5	147.4
February 1978 index	169.8	196.5	173.6	145.1	157.5	163.6	143.8	147.2
% change from February 1978	1.2	1.5	1.2	1.5	1.3	0.9	0.5	0.1
% change from March 1977	9.0	15.1	7.9	8.3	6.7	5.9	4.4	4.2
Saskatoon**								
March 1978 index	166.2	189.1	163.6	149.3	157.0	154.4	159.0	154.4
February 1978 index	164.8	187.0	162.8	147.8	155.1	153.3	159.2	150.2
% change from February 1978	0.8	1.1	0.5	1.0	1.2	0.7	-0.1	2.8
% change from March 1977	8.5	10.9	8.7	6.4	8.2	5.9	4.7	9.0
Regina**								
March 1978 index	170.0	189.1	169.4	146.9	163.5	163.2	162.9	155.9
February 1978 index	168.3	187.4	168.4	145.9	160.2	163.0	162.6	151.2
% change from February 1978	1.0	0.9	0.6	0.7	2.1	0.1	0.2	3.1
% change from March 1977	9.9	13.4	9.6	6.5	10.3	7.2	4.6	8.7

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada (continued)

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% change from February 1978	1.0	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.4	1.2	1.2	0.3
% change from March 1977	8.9	14.3	8.3	7.8	5.0	8.7	5.5	6.4
Calgary**								
March 1978 index	167.9	188.6	168.6	150.7	163.0	160.1	149.2	143.3
February 1978 index	165.5	183.5	167.1	150.0	159.9	156.5	149.1	142.8
% change from February 1978	1.5	2.8	0.9	0.5	1.9	2.3	0.1	0.4
% change from March 1977	8.9	14.4	8.1	6.3	6.8	8.2	4.6	5.7
Vancouver								
March 1978 index	170.6	197.4	168.1	148.8	163.0	162.8	142.8	147.6
February 1978 index	168.7	194.7	165.8	147.2	162.6	160.5	141.5	147.5
% change from February 1978	1.1	1.4	1.4	1.1	0.2	1.4	0.9	0.1
% change from March 1977	7.7	11.7	7.1	5.9	5.2	7.5	5.7	3.8

* For inter-city indexes of retail price differentials refer to Table 14 of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 50¢/\$5.50).

** The indexes for the cities of Saskatoon, Regina, Edmonton and Calgary supersede, as of January 1975, the combined cities series of Saskatoon-Regina and Edmonton-Calgary. For further details see *Retail Prices and Living Costs Service Bulletin* (Statistics Canada Catalogue No. 62-005, Vol. 3, No. 5).

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended April 7, 1978 —
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The volume of revenue freight loaded by railways in Canada in the above seven days totalled 3.7 million t (4.0 million short tons). This represented a decline of 10.4% from the first week of April 1977 — a decline mainly attributable to continuing labour problems in the iron mines of northeastern Quebec. In the Eastern Division loadings were down 27.8%, while in the West a gain of 12.0% was recorded. Cars loaded numbered 67,366, down 6.0% from last year.

Trailer-container (piggyback) movements in Canada were up 7.8%, an increase shared by both regions of the country.

From January 1 to April 7, 1978, rail freight loadings totalled 53.9 million t (59.4 million short tons), a decline of 0.1% from 1977. The corresponding carload count was down 0.7%, while cumulative container-trailer (piggyback) tonnage registered a 5.5% gain.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending April 7

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	1,840,209	2,208,663	4,048,872
Short tons, 1977	2,548,064	1,971,415	4,519,479
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 669 410	2 003 665	3 673 075
Metric tonnes, 1977	2 311 565	1 788 438	4 100 003
% change	-27.8	12.0	-10.4
Cars, 1978	34,512	32,854	67,366
Cars, 1977	41,410	30,256	71,666
% change	-16.7	8.6	-6.0
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	160,411	65,584	225,995
Short tons, 1977	149,463	60,237	209,700
Metric tonnes, 1978	145 522	59 497	205 019
Metric tonnes, 1977	135 591	54 646	190 237
% change	7.3	8.9	7.8
Cars, 1978	5,135	2,644	7,779
Cars, 1977	4,892	2,555	7,447
% change	5.0	3.5	4.5
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	31,085,082	28,357,290	59,442,372
Short tons, 1977	31,464,118	28,018,115	59,482,233
Metric tonnes, 1978	28 199 912	25 725 301	53 925 213
Metric tonnes, 1977	28 543 768	25 417 606	53 961 374
% change	-1.2	1.2	-0.1
Cars, 1978	518,068	426,764	944,832
Cars, 1977	526,677	424,393	951,070
% change	-1.6	0.6	-0.7
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	2,275,993	817,136	3,093,129
Short tons, 1977	2,154,939	776,030	2,930,969
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 064 746	741 293	2 806 039
Metric tonnes, 1977	1 954 928	704 003	2 658 931
% change	5.6	5.3	5.5
Cars, 1978	68,024	32,770	100,794
Cars, 1977	65,712	33,377	99,089
% change	3.5	-1.8	1.7

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1977 figures have been revised — 1978 cumulative data also revised.

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Field Crop Reporting Series, No. 3, Stocks of Grain at March 31 — Available at 3 p.m., April 21, 1978 (22-002E, \$5.80 for series of 20)

Directory of Canadian Universities, 1977 (81-230, \$5.25)

Rigid Insulating Board, February 1978 (36-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Selected Meat and Meat Preparations, February 1978 (32-020, 15¢/\$1.50)

Silver, Lead and Zinc Production, February 1978 (26-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products, February 1978 (41-006, 15¢/\$1.50)

Selected Principal Statistics for the Electric Lamp and Shade Manufacturing Industry for 1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	61	60	-1.6
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	1,438	1,407	-2.2
Man-hours paid	000's	2,917	2,924	0.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	8,886	9,923	11.7
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	252	316	25.4
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	20,058	23,083	15.1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	42,019	47,720	13.5
Value added	\$000	21,679	24,514	13.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	1,791	1,767	-1.3
Total salaries and wages	\$000	12,767	14,230	11.5
Total value added	\$000	21,739	24,735	13.8

For further information, contact G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Electric Lamp and Shade Manufacturers*, 1976 (35-214, 70¢).

Pulpwood and Wood Residue, February 1978 — Advance Information

Roundwood production increased 6.1% to 1,215,616 cunits (3 441 000 m3) in February from 1,145,882 cunits (3 245 000 m3) in February 1977. Consumption of roundwood and wood residue increased 3.1% to 2,340,400 cunits (6 626 000 m3) from 2,269,120 cunits (6 426 000 m3) and the closing inventory of these two products decreased 9.8% to 9,933,661 cunits (28 129 000 m3) from 11,009,978 cunits (31 177 000 m3). Receipts of wood residue increased 0.4% to 981,268 cunits (2 778 000 m3) from 976,971 cunits (2 767 000 m3).

For further information, order the February issue of *Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics* (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

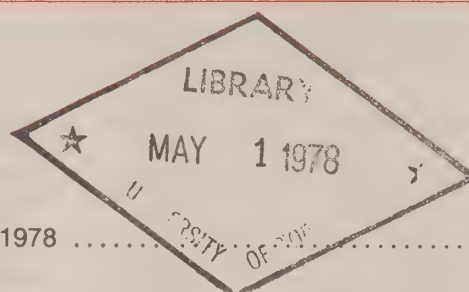
Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, April 1, 1978 — Advance Information

Stocks of fruits, frozen and in preservatives, in storages and factories on April 1 totalled 29.9 million pounds compared with 28.8 million a year earlier. Holdings of vegetables, frozen and in brine, totalled 93.5 million pounds (101.8 million in 1977).

For further information, order the April issue of *Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables* (32-010, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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Exports by Commodities

Full details on commodity-country export trade for February are now available either on microfiche or by telephone in advance of the regular publication, *Exports by Commodities* (65-004, 80¢/\$8). Direct information requests to G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

- Summary of External Trade, February 1978** (65-001, 40¢/\$4)
- Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry, January 1978** (61-005, 40¢/\$4)
- Security Transactions With Non-residents, December 1977** (67-002, 40¢/\$4)
- Medical Services and Associated Diagnoses, Saskatchewan, 1972** (82-536, \$2.10)
- Tuberculosis Statistics, Morbidity and Mortality Facilities and Services, 1975** (82-212, \$1.40)
- Foundation Garment Industry, 1976** (34-212, 70¢)
- Electric Power Statistics, January 1978** (57-001, 30¢/\$3)
- Footwear Statistics, February 1978** (33-002, 30¢/\$3)

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Quarterly Estimates of Trusteed Pension Funds, 4th Quarter 1977 (74-001, 35¢/\$1.40)

Particle Board, February 1978 (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Production and Shipments of Steel Pipe, Tubing and Fittings, February 1978 (41-011, 30¢/\$3)

Soaps and Synthetic Detergents, February 1978 (46-003, 30¢/\$3)

Production of Canada's Leading Minerals, February 1978 (26-007, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletin:

Water Transport (54-003, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 8, No. 3, Commodity Movement Statistics, Preliminary, Fourth Quarter 1977

Real Domestic Product, February 1978 — Advance Information

The seasonally-adjusted index of real domestic product (1971=100) increased 0.9% to 129.8 in February from 128.7 in January. The index of industrial production increased 0.9% in February. Output of goods-producing industries rose 0.9%, while that of service-producing industries increased 0.8%.

In goods-producing industries, production increases were recorded in agriculture, fishing and trapping, construction, mining and manufacturing. The gain in agriculture resulted solely from increased livestock production. The construction industry recorded its first monthly increase since October, due entirely to advances in residential building activity. Despite the increase, the output level of the construction industry in February was well below the yearly average for 1977. Mining output rose significantly due to increased production of coal, crude petroleum and natural gas. Output of metal mines and non-metal mines declined slightly. Manufacturing recorded the sharpest increase since March 1977, most of which was attributable to the non-durable manufacturing sector; durable manufacturing was up slightly. For non-durable manufacturing, the February level was nearly 2.0% higher than the yearly average in 1977. Substantial increases were recorded by manufacturers of food and beverage products, tobacco, rubber and plastics, leather products, paper and allied products, and chemicals and chemical products. In durable manufacturing, substantial increases by steel mills and motor vehicle manufacturers were offset by declines in wood products and electrical products industries.

In service-producing industries, increases were widespread. For transportation, storage and communication, the most significant advances were in railway transport, pipeline transport and grain elevators. The increase in railway transport was due to gains in volume transported of grain products, coal, motor vehicles and chemical products. Declines were recorded in bus transport, urban transit systems and communication. In trade, both wholesale trade and retail trade were up sharply. Most of the increase in wholesale trade originated with wholesalers of machinery, construction materials, industrial equipment and petroleum products. The retail trade level for February

was 3.9% higher than for the same month of 1977, and 1.0% above November, the peak month in 1977. Increases occurred in all major store-types, including food stores, department stores, motor vehicle dealers, clothing stores, furniture, television, radio and appliance stores, hardware and drug stores. Following a month of no growth in January, finance, insurance and real estate industries recorded a substantial advance. The growth in community, business and personal service industries originated mainly from increases in services to business management and accommodation and food services. Public administration and defence services were up slightly in February.

For further information, order the February issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (including the Index of Industrial Production)*, (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Saskatchewan Medicare, 1972

According to information supplied by the Saskatchewan Medical Care Insurance Commission to Statistics Canada, the commission, which insures about 96% of the population in the province, paid for medical service to about 4 of every 5 persons in the covered population in 1972. These patients received an average of about 9 services each in the year. When compared with a previous report for 1971 it will be seen that the number of patients increased for both sexes and practically all age groups, usually by a relatively moderate amount. Total costs and average cost per service also increased. The same diagnostic groups dominated in both years but the seasonal pattern in a number of these groups shifted as it did over-all.

For further information, order *Medical Services and Associated Diagnoses, Saskatchewan, 1972* (82-536, \$2.10).

Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1977		1978		% Change
		Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	
Real Domestic Product	100.000	129.0	129.0	128.7	129.8	0.9
Agriculture	3.371	97.1	98.6	97.8	98.5	0.7
Forestry	.715	115.0	119.7	115.9	114.5	-1.2
Fishing and Trapping	.181	118.5	108.4	113.3	127.8	12.8
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	112.2	111.6	105.9	109.1	3.0
Manufacturing industries	22.862	124.4	124.4	123.2	124.2	0.8
Construction industry	6.990	111.2	109.9	107.4	108.6	1.1
Transportation, storage and communication	9.096	137.4	137.0	138.3	139.5	0.9
Transportation	5.874	125.7	123.7	125.6	127.7	1.7
Air transport and services incidental to air transport	.679	180.3	178.5	188.7	187.2	-0.8
Railway transport	1.700	121.8	113.5	118.2	123.1	4.1
Bus transport, interurban and rural	.089	138.2	145.4	138.5	133.8	-3.4
Urban transit systems	.250	103.1	109.5	119.6	116.9	-2.3
Pipeline transport	.489	122.8	124.0	117.8	126.1	7.0
Storage	.258	104.0	96.7	101.3	107.9	6.5
Grain elevators	.177	90.1	78.3	82.4	91.8	11.4
Communication	2.964	163.6	166.8	166.8	165.8	-0.6
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	153.2	158.6	161.6	160.0	-1.0
Trade	11.367	136.4	136.3	137.2	140.1	2.1
Wholesale trade	4.509	124.4	126.9	128.7	131.4	2.1
Wholesale merchants	3.242	126.2	128.2	129.6	132.8	2.5
Retail trade	6.858	144.3	142.6	142.8	145.7	2.0
Food stores	1.368	117.6	114.4	115.4	116.2	0.7
General merchandise stores	1.562	149.2	142.3	141.1	146.6	3.9
Department stores	.927	177.0	166.2	164.0	172.6	5.2
Other general merchandise stores	.635	108.7	107.3	107.6	108.7	1.0
Motor vehicle dealers	.697	150.4	149.9	158.5	161.8	2.1
Clothing stores	.462	129.5	129.6	132.0	135.7	2.8
Hardware stores	.098	119.1	122.8	115.1	117.1	1.7
Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores	.177	136.2	133.6	138.7	148.4	7.0
Drug stores	.290	178.7	178.7	169.2	170.2	0.6
Finance, insurance and real estate	12.036	136.5	136.9	136.9	137.5	0.4
Community, business and personal service industries	19.359	135.4	134.8	135.3	136.0	0.5
Education and related services	6.509	111.8	110.0	110.6	111.0	0.4
Health and welfare services	5.272	134.4	134.7	135.0	135.3	0.2
Amusement and recreation services	.427	175.6	178.4	175.2	171.7	-2.0
Services to business management	2.311	197.0	198.1	196.5	198.7	1.1
Personal services	1.000	107.1	106.7	107.3	107.7	0.4
Accommodation and food services	2.799	145.4	143.6	147.4	148.9	1.0
Public administration and defence	7.388	125.5	125.6	125.9	126.1	0.2
Special groupings:						
Index of industrial production	29.497	125.5	126.0	124.6	125.7	0.9
Real domestic product less agriculture	96.629	130.1	130.1	129.8	130.9	0.8
Goods-producing industries	40.754	120.5	120.8	119.2	120.3	0.9
Goods-producing industries less agriculture	37.383	122.6	122.8	121.2	122.3	0.9
Service-producing industries	59.246	134.9	134.7	135.3	136.4	0.8
Commercial industries	81.341	131.4	131.5	131.1	132.4	1.0
Commercial industries less agriculture	77.970	132.9	132.9	132.6	133.9	1.0
Non-commercial industries	18.659	118.6	118.1	118.3	118.6	0.3
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	120.9	121.1	121.4	123.2	1.5
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	127.8	127.7	124.9	125.2	0.2

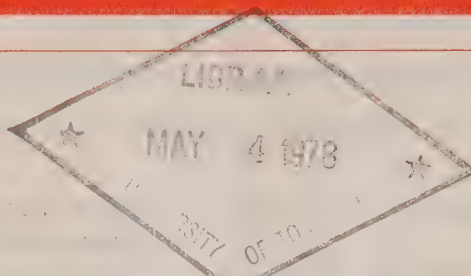
**Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of
Sawmills in British Columbia, January 1978 —
Advance Information**

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 1,019.4 million feet board measure (2 405 400 m³) of lumber and ties in January, up 0.9% from a revised 1,010.4 million feet board measure (2 384 200 m³) in January 1977.

For further information, order the January issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Canadian International Trade Classification (65-502, \$9.75)

The 1978 edition of the *Canadian International Trade Classification (CITC)*, released today, replaces the 1972 edition, combining in one volume the classification and the alphabetic index. The CITC consists of approximately 16,000 7-digit commodity-coded headings organized in a commodity classification structure compatible with the Standard Commodity Classification of Statistics Canada. The alphabetic index contains approximately 45,000 items with their commodity codes.

This publication is an essential aid in the preparation of Customs Import documents as declared items must be coded according to this classification. To assist in this coding, the introduction outlines the concept of the classification structure, provides an explanation of terms used and special instructions, the codes for UNITS of MEASURE, an index of abbreviations used in the classification and a 3-digit summary of the classification.

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Canadian International Trade Classification, Reference Manual, in effect January 1, 1978 (65-502E, \$9.75)

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Financial Institutions, Financial Statistics, Fourth Quarter 1977 (61-006, \$1.40/\$5.60)

National Income and Expenditure Accounts, Fourth Quarter 1977 (13-001, \$1.05/\$4.20)

Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, December 1977 (26-006, 30¢/\$3)

Primary Iron and Steel, January 1978 (41-001, 40¢/\$4)

Wholesale Trade, February 1978 (63-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

Vital Statistics, October-December 1977 (84-001, 35¢/\$1.40)

Iron Castings and Cast Iron Pipe and Fittings, February 1978 (41-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Consumption, Production and Inventories of Rubber, February 1978 (33-003, 30¢/\$3)

Preliminary Report on Job Vacancies, First Quarter 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates of the average number of jobs vacant on a daily basis during the first quarter of 1978 were 37,800*, an increase of 6% from 35,600 in the last quarter of 1977. Compared with the first quarter last year, the number of vacancies decreased by 1,900, or 5%.

Vacancies for full-time jobs increased by 10% to 34,100 from 30,900 in the fourth quarter of 1977. Longer-term vacancies (jobs unfilled for more than four weeks) declined 2% to 11,800.

For every 1,000 existing jobs in the first quarter of 1978, four were vacant, the same rate as in the preceding quarter. The comparable rate a year ago was five per thousand. The highest vacancy rate was observed in Alberta (nine per thousand). The lowest vacancy rate (three per thousand) occurred in New Brunswick and British Columbia.

** The Job Vacancy Survey provides an estimate of the average number of vacancies available on any given day in a three-month period. The estimate of this three-month average is derived from six observations taken at regular intervals. Consequently, the survey does not cover those vacancies which occur and are filled between individual observations. In addition, the survey does not cover openings in agriculture, fishing, hunting, trapping and households. The Job Vacancy Survey is now being conducted by mail only — personal interviews have been discontinued to reduce costs. Henceforth, estimates obtained from data collected by mail will be adjusted by a factor based on the measured effect of interviews on estimates produced over the past seven years. The data derived from the Job Vacancy Survey, taken over time, are consistent and reliable indicators of trends in job openings. For detailed definitions and design of the survey see Canadian Job Vacancy Survey, Technical Appendix, 1972 (71-521, 50¢).*

Vacancy Rates for Part-time and Full-time Jobs Canada and Provinces

	Three-month Periods Ending		
	1st Q 1978p	4th Q 1977	1st Q 1977
	(Rates per 1,000 jobs)		
Canada(1)	4	4	5
Atlantic Provinces(2)	4	3	3
Newfoundland	4	3	4
Nova Scotia	4	2	2
New Brunswick	3	3	4
Quebec	4	3	4
Ontario	4	4	4
Manitoba	4	4	5
Saskatchewan	4	4	7
Alberta	9	8	10
British Columbia	3	4	4

p Preliminary estimates.
(1) Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories.
(2) Includes Prince Edward Island.
For further information, contact Mr. J.A. Boucek (613-992-2006), or Ms. M. Beaubien (613-996-7148), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing

(1971=100)

	Relative Importance(1)	Index			Percent Change		Percent Contribution to Total Change From	
		Feb.* 1978	Jan.* 1978	Feb. 1977	Feb./78 Jan./78	Feb./78 Feb./77	Feb./78 Jan./78	Feb./78 Feb./77
Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing	100.0	181.5	180.3	168.8	0.7	7.5	100.0	100.0
SIC Major Groups:								
1. Food and Beverage Industries	19.9	195.4	192.9	178.9	1.3	9.2	39.4	25.7
2. Tobacco Products Industries	1.1	146.4	146.3	135.5	0.1	8.0	0.1	1.0
3. Rubber and Plastics Products Industries	2.5	153.3	152.8	145.5	0.3	5.4	1.0	1.6
4. Leather Industries	0.9	181.0	180.3	169.1	0.4	7.0	0.5	0.8
5. Textile Industries	3.5	154.4	154.1	147.7	0.2	4.5	0.8	1.9
6. Knitting Mills	0.9	136.0	135.9	129.1	0.1	5.3	0.1	0.5
8. Wood Industries	4.7	212.6	207.0	177.0	2.7	20.1	21.0	13.2
9. Furniture and Fixture Industries	1.6	178.7	178.1	170.7	0.3	4.7	0.8	1.0
10. Paper and Allied Industries	8.2	195.0	194.1	189.7	0.5	2.8	5.9	3.4
12. Primary Metal Industries	8.4	198.1	196.7	185.5	0.7	6.8	9.3	8.3
13. Metal Fabricating Industries	7.5	178.2	177.8	167.1	0.2	6.6	2.4	6.5
14. Machinery Industries	4.4	163.9	163.6	155.9	0.2	5.1	1.0	2.7
16. Electrical Products Industries	6.8	153.4	152.8	143.2	0.4	7.1	3.2	5.4
17. Non-Metallic Mineral Products Industries	3.2	188.3	187.4	174.0	0.5	8.2	2.3	3.6
18. Petroleum and Coal Products Industries	4.2	237.1	237.1	227.0	0.0	4.4	0.0	3.4
19. Chemical and Chemical Products Industries	6.6	183.4	183.2	172.0	0.1	6.6	1.0	5.9
Other Major Groups(2)	15.6	156.3	155.4	143.8	0.6	8.7	11.1	15.2

* These indexes are preliminary.

(1) Group weights are based on 1971 value of shipments (Census of Manufacturers, 1971).

(2) Included are the following major groups: 7. Clothing Industries, 15. Transportation Equipment Industries, 20. Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries.

Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing (1971=100), February 1978 — Advance Information

The Industry Selling Price Index for manufacturing rose 0.7% to 181.5 in February from its revised January level of 180.3. The index was 7.5% higher than in February 1977 when it stood at 168.8. The major groups having the most effect on the total index in February were the food and beverage industries and the wood industries.

The food and beverage industries index rose 1.3% due mainly to price increases of 3.9% for slaughtering and meat processing, 2.1% for the fish products industry, 2.3% for soft drink manufacturers and 0.6% for the dairy products industry.

A rise of 2.7% in the wood industries index reflected increases of 3.2% for sawmills and planing mills and 5.0% for veneer and plywood mills.

Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, January 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian mills shipped 266,124,000 square feet (24 724 000 m²) 3/8" (9.525 mm) basis of softwood plywood in January, up from 200,226,000 square feet (18 602 000 m²) in January 1977.

Shipments of hardwood plywood amounted to 30,397,000 square feet (2 824 000 m²) surface measure for January, an increase of 5.3% over the same month in 1977.

For further information, order the January issue of *Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods* (35-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Wholesale Price Indexes

(1935-39=100)

	Feb. 1978*	Jan. 1978*	Feb. 1977	Jan. 1977	% Change	
					Feb./78 Jan./78	Feb./78 Feb./77
General wholesale index	588.0	581.0	541.1	532.9	1.2	8.7
Vegetable products	504.2	500.2	481.5	464.9	0.8	4.7
Animal products	640.4	623.2	550.1	542.5	2.8	16.4
Textile products	485.3	481.4	470.7	468.3	0.8	3.1
Wood products	843.1	831.5	752.8	745.6	1.4	12.0
Iron products	620.6	617.4	584.2	580.0	0.5	6.2
Non-ferrous metals including gold	509.5	505.6	480.9	471.0	0.8	6.0
Non-metallic minerals	497.1	492.7	454.6	453.2	0.9	9.4
Chemical products	423.4	423.0	401.0	397.2	0.1	5.6
Summary indexes						
Iron products and non-ferrous metals excluding gold	672.5	668.5	636.3	627.9	0.6	5.7
Raw and partly manufactured goods	544.6	535.2	507.7	492.3	1.8	7.3
Fully and chiefly manufactured goods	611.1	605.3	558.6	554.6	1.0	9.4

* These indexes are preliminary.

General Wholesale Price Index (1935-39=100), February 1978 — Advance Information

The General Wholesale Index rose 1.2% to 588.0 in February from its revised January level of 581.0 and was 8.7% higher than in February 1977 when it stood at 541.1. The major groups having the most effect on the total index in February were animal products (up 2.8%), wood products (up 1.4%) and vegetable products (up 0.8%).

The rise in the animal products index was mainly due to price increases of 6.3% for fresh meats, 3.9% for livestock, 2.5% for fish and 4.1% for cured meats.

Increases of 3.0% for fir and 1.0% for newsprint and wrapping paper were largely responsible for the rise in the wood products index.

The increase in the vegetable products index reflected increases of 4.1% for grains and 17.0% for fresh fruits. Tea, coffee and cocoa, and sugar and its products registered partially-offsetting decreases of 1.2% and 1.3%, respectively.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended April 22, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended April 22 was 310,718 short tons (281 879 t), a decrease of 1.8% from the preceding week's total of 316,554 short tons (287 173 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was 278,083 short tons (252 273 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 169.6 in the current week, 172.8 a week earlier and 151.8 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Performing Arts Survey, 1977 — Advance Information
Preliminary data from the 1977 Performing Arts Survey indicate an increase of 13% in revenues and 9% in expenses over the reported figures for the same companies in 1976.

Complete details of the survey will be published shortly in the *Education, Science and Culture Division Service Bulletin*, Vol. 1, No. 2 (87-001, no charge). For further information, contact John Gordon (613-593-6862), Arts and Media Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Interprovincial Migration of Children and Adults: Annual Number by Province of Origin and Destination, 1976-1977(1)

Province of Origin	Province of Destination												Total Out-migration
	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Yukon	N.W.T.	
Nfld.	—	172	1,929	975	664	6,049	619	231	1,352	588	54	140	12,773
P.E.I.	194	—	803	683	128	1,066	121	71	412	158	13	12	3,661
N.S.	1,623	1,006	—	3,759	1,344	9,130	1,026	455	2,767	2,374	19	145	23,648
N.B.	826	625	4,076	—	3,272	6,871	770	329	1,508	1,084	23	51	19,435
Que.	728	506	2,496	4,848	—	33,412	1,789	695	5,343	4,880	11	196	54,904
Ont.	5,655	1,916	10,068	7,883	20,122	—	9,232	4,748	21,726	17,245	189	692	99,476
Man.	446	163	736	546	1,077	8,188	—	5,903	8,955	5,211	80	310	31,615
Sask.	65	51	423	234	334	3,167	4,451	—	10,724	4,885	122	239	24,695
Alta.	462	285	1,396	1,141	1,792	11,433	5,536	11,244	—	23,349	474	1,464	58,576
B.C.	318	237	1,955	993	2,563	13,785	4,712	6,472	30,726	—	1,280	599	63,640
Yukon	74	12	68	37	52	177	92	165	749	1,598	—	132	3,156
N.W.T.	65	12	77	118	210	466	162	370	1,810	802	178	—	4,270
Total in-migration	10,456	4,985	24,027	21,217	31,558	93,744	28,510	30,683	86,072	62,174	2,443	3,980	399,849
Net migration	-2,317	1,324	379	1,782	-23,346	-5,732	-3,105	5,988	27,496	-1,466	-713	-290	—

(1) Year ending on May 31, 1977.

International Migration in Canada, 1975-76 and 1976-77(1)

Province	1975-76(2)		1976-77	
	Immigration	Emigration	Immigration	Emigration*
Newfoundland	995	1,700	711	1,600
Prince Edward Island	204	200	225	200
Nova Scotia	1,830	1,600	2,069	1,600
New Brunswick	1,938	1,200	1,756	1,300
Quebec	26,629	7,900	28,120	7,900
Ontario	83,796	18,000	68,273	18,600
Manitoba	6,456	900	5,460	900
Saskatchewan	2,642	800	2,396	800
Alberta	15,651	17,000	14,522	1,800
British Columbia	25,228	4,000	18,412	4,100
Yukon	90	—	70	—
Northwest Territories	178	—	142	11
Canada	165,637	38,100	142,156	38,900

(1) Years ending on May 31.

(2) Source: "International and Interprovincial Migration in Canada, 1961-62 to 1975-76" (Catalogue 91-208).

* Preliminary estimates.

International and Interprovincial Migration in Canada, 1976-1977 — Advance Information

Between June 1, 1976 and May 31, 1977, a total of 142,156 immigrants came to this country while an estimated 38,900 persons left Canada to settle in a foreign country.

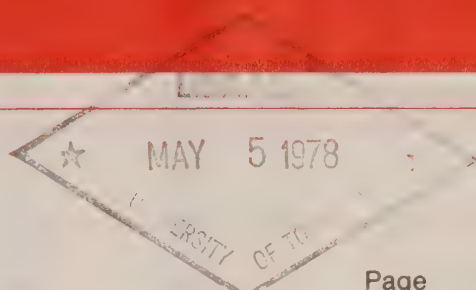
During the same period 399,849 persons moved from one province in Canada to another. Total in- and out-migration amounted to 193,200 in Ontario, 144,600 in Alberta, 128,800 in British Columbia and 86,500 in Quebec. In these movements between provinces, Alberta and Saskatchewan experienced net gains of 27,500 and 6,000 persons respectively, while Ontario had a net loss of 5,700 persons and Quebec a net loss of 23,300 persons.

Data for the period 1961-62 to 1975-76 appeared in the first edition of *International and Interprovincial Migration in Canada* (catalogue 91-208). The 1976-77 data will be published within the next few weeks in the second edition of that publication. For further information, contact Miss G. Caron (613-994-9317), Population Estimates and Projections Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Local Government Employment, October-December 1977 (72-009, 70¢/\$2.80)

Imports by Commodities, January 1978 (65-007, 80¢/\$8)

Sales Financing, January 1978 (63-013, 30¢/\$3)

New Motor Vehicle Sales, February 1978 (63-007, 30¢/\$3)

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Selected Petroleum Statistics Quarterly, 1978 — II (45-006, 70¢/\$2.80)**Farm Cash Receipts, February 1978 (21-001, 30¢/\$3)****Products Made from Canadian Clays, January 1978 (44-005, 15¢/\$1.50)****Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables, February 1978 (32-011, 30¢/\$3)****Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics, February 1978 (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50)****Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income**

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

	Feb. 1978f	Jan. 1978p	Dec. 1977r	Feb. 1977
	(\$ millions)			
	Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Agriculture	57.9	57.7	66.4	49.1
Forestry	93.5	93.2	103.6	86.7
Mining	248.7	246.2	244.6	227.6
Manufacturing	2,104.1	2,051.8	2,087.4	1,957.2
Construction	631.7	611.2	701.4	625.5
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	965.6	958.5	963.0	906.0
Trade	1,218.6	1,218.4	1,294.4	1,156.4
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	613.3	615.3	608.8	559.0
Service	2,417.4	2,395.4	2,401.9	2,210.3
Public Administration and Defence(1)	875.6	879.3	875.3	781.5
Total, Wages and Salaries(2)	9,229.7	9,129.5	9,358.8	8,561.2
Supplementary Labour Income	756.6	748.4	767.1	697.7
Total, Labour Income(2)	9,986.3	9,877.9	10,125.7	9,258.9
	Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Agriculture	90.8	89.4	91.4	77.4
Forestry	101.6	103.0	116.6	94.4
Mining	249.7	247.2	244.7	228.5
Manufacturing	2,155.2	2,097.0	2,121.1	2,004.8
Construction	742.1	722.9	816.0	736.0
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	989.7	976.9	979.2	928.9
Trade	1,257.1	1,242.3	1,252.5	1,192.9
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	615.9	620.1	618.0	561.2
Service	2,376.4	2,350.2	2,372.1	2,170.1
Public Administration and Defence(1)	891.7	892.7	885.3	795.5
Total, Wages and Salaries(2)	9,478.7	9,349.6	9,508.0	8,794.3
Supplementary Labour Income	778.3	768.1	779.0	717.7
Total, Labour Income(2)	10,257.0	10,117.7	10,287.0	9,512.0

f First estimates.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

(1) Excludes military pay and allowances.

(2) Includes fishing and trapping.

.. Not available.

Estimates of Labour Income, February 1978 — Advance Information

Labour income for February was estimated at \$10.0 billion.

Seasonally adjusted, wages and salaries increased by \$129 million between January and February to a total of \$9.5 billion.

Detailed estimates will be published in the January-March issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-005,

\$1.05/\$4.20). Advance details may be obtained from Mrs. G. Gauthier (613-995-8067), Labour Income Section, Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes

March 1978 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Mar. 1977	% Change	
				Mar./78 Feb./78	Mar./78 Mar./77
Canada, Total	184.4	183.6	169.3	0.4	8.9
Materials	175.9	174.7	160.7	0.7	9.5
Labour	199.5	199.5	184.8	—	8.0
Atlantic Provinces, Total	193.3	193.1	180.1	0.1	7.3
Materials	177.2	176.8	164.6	0.2	7.7
Labour	221.2	221.2	207.0	—	6.9
Quebec, Total	187.4	186.5	170.4	0.5	10.0
Materials	182.5	181.0	165.8	0.8	10.1
Labour	196.8	196.8	179.2	—	9.8
Ontario, Total	178.2	177.3	164.2	0.5	8.5
Materials	170.7	169.3	156.3	0.8	9.2
Labour	191.0	191.0	177.8	—	7.4
Prairie Provinces, Total	195.0	194.6	178.5	0.2	9.2
Materials	181.0	180.4	163.2	0.3	10.9
Labour	222.1	222.1	208.2	—	6.7
British Columbia, Total	183.7	183.0	168.8	0.4	8.8
Materials	176.1	175.0	162.2	0.6	8.6
Labour	197.2	197.2	180.4	—	9.3

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mrs. G.A. John (613-994-5807), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Police Strength and Transport, Canada, 1976 and 1977

	Full-time Personnel						Transport		
	Total Personnel		Police		Cadets and Other Personnel		Auto- mobiles	Motor- cycles	Other Motor Vehicles
	Actual Strength	Rate Per 1,000 Population*	Actual Strength	Rate Per 1,000 Population*	Actual Strength	Rate Per 1,000 Population*			
1977	65,037	2.8	52,303	2.3	12,734	0.5	13,312	817	1,293
1976	63,675	2.8	51,629	2.2	12,046	0.5	12,591	830	1,077
% change	2.1	—	1.3	4.5	5.7	—	5.7	-1.6	20.1

*Rates are based on Census population estimates for December 31, 1977 and 1976.

For further information, contact Mr. J.K. Phillips (613-995-0855), Justices Statistics Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Estimates of Population by Sex and Age, Canada and Provinces, June 1, 1977 — Advance Information

The preliminary postcensal estimates contained in the accompanying table will be published shortly in catalogue 91-202.

For further information, contact Claude Strohmen-ger (613-994-5006), Population Estimates and Projection Division, Census and Household Surveys Field, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1S 5A4.

(see table on next page)

contact Mr. Claude Dulac (613-995-9795), Elementary-secondary Education Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Elementary and Secondary Education — Financial Statistics, 1975-76 — Advance Information

Advance information from the forthcoming publication (81-250, \$1.05) is now available regarding 1975 school board financial statistics. For further details,

Preliminary Postcensal Estimates of the Population by Sex and Age Group, Canada and Provinces, June 1, 1977

Sex and Age	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Yukon	N.W.T.
in thousands													
Total	23,291.1	562.5	120.3	835.4	686.4	6,283.1	8,373.5	1,031.3	936.5	1,899.7	2,497.6	21.5	43.3
0-4	1,745.3	56.3	9.5	64.6	58.4	449.8	607.7	82.2	75.9	158.9	174.5	2.0	5.4
5-9	1,856.5	62.0	10.5	70.8	61.1	468.1	658.4	84.6	77.3	164.0	191.9	2.1	5.7
10-14	2,209.2	66.7	12.7	83.5	71.5	598.5	777.7	94.6	92.3	183.9	220.5	2.2	5.3
15-19	2,369.1	63.9	13.1	87.5	74.3	663.8	821.6	101.3	99.2	196.1	241.6	2.1	4.5
20-24	2,197.8	53.6	10.7	78.6	66.3	613.1	767.0	96.2	87.7	195.4	222.6	2.3	4.5
25-29	2,005.2	47.1	9.5	69.3	57.8	558.1	712.4	85.7	67.7	173.5	217.2	2.5	4.4
30-34	1,744.5	38.2	7.7	57.9	46.8	498.9	631.3	70.9	54.8	142.9	189.4	2.2	3.5
35-39	1,375.3	27.8	6.1	45.3	36.1	389.0	504.9	55.1	46.1	111.0	150.1	1.5	2.4
40-44	1,264.3	24.8	5.8	40.9	31.9	349.6	474.0	50.7	45.3	102.5	135.6	1.2	2.1
45-49	1,258.5	22.9	5.3	39.7	31.4	351.4	472.6	51.5	47.3	98.2	135.6	1.0	1.7
50-54	1,217.5	22.0	5.3	39.4	31.4	328.9	464.5	53.5	48.3	88.4	133.6	0.9	1.3
55-59	1,066.1	21.4	5.3	39.7	30.2	279.7	391.2	50.0	47.1	77.3	122.6	0.6	1.0
60-64	912.7	18.2	5.1	35.5	26.5	235.7	328.0	45.6	43.1	63.5	110.5	0.4	0.6
65-69	748.6	14.5	4.4	29.5	22.5	191.8	271.3	38.1	35.9	50.6	89.3	0.3	0.5
70-74	551.7	9.4	3.3	21.3	16.1	138.4	202.5	28.7	27.0	38.9	65.7	0.1	0.3
75-79	373.9	6.8	2.6	14.8	11.2	88.4	140.8	19.7	18.7	25.9	44.7	0.1	0.2
80-84	225.6	4.2	1.8	9.7	7.3	48.9	85.0	12.6	12.3	15.8	28.0	—	0.1
85-89	114.8	1.9	0.9	5.0	3.8	21.5	42.6	6.9	7.1	8.9	16.1	—	—
90+	54.5	0.9	0.5	2.5	1.8	9.2	20.1	3.3	3.7	4.2	8.3	—	—
Male	11,589.0	286.0	60.3	417.5	343.9	3,106.7	4,147.4	512.4	471.6	963.2	1,245.6	11.5	22.8
0-4	894.7	29.1	5.0	33.3	29.8	231.1	311.5	42.4	38.5	81.3	89.1	1.0	2.7
5-9	951.9	31.8	5.4	36.3	31.6	239.7	337.8	43.3	39.5	84.4	98.1	1.1	3.0
10-14	1,130.1	34.0	6.5	42.8	36.7	306.2	398.4	48.0	47.1	93.9	112.5	1.1	2.7
15-19	1,210.1	32.7	6.7	44.9	38.1	338.2	420.3	51.7	50.4	100.7	123.1	1.1	2.3
20-24	1,099.3	27.0	5.4	40.2	33.5	306.8	380.5	48.1	44.7	99.2	110.6	1.1	2.3
25-29	1,004.7	23.8	4.8	35.1	29.4	278.8	353.4	43.3	34.9	88.5	109.0	1.3	2.4
30-34	880.6	19.4	3.9	29.4	24.0	250.1	317.5	35.9	28.0	72.8	96.4	1.2	1.9
35-39	695.4	14.4	3.2	22.9	18.3	195.4	254.6	27.9	23.2	56.5	76.8	0.9	1.3
40-44	639.8	12.8	2.9	20.7	16.0	173.4	239.8	25.7	22.9	53.4	70.2	0.7	1.1
45-49	635.6	11.8	2.7	19.7	15.5	173.5	239.9	25.6	23.9	51.2	70.3	0.6	1.0
50-54	595.7	11.3	2.6	19.1	15.3	159.0	227.7	25.8	24.1	44.2	65.3	0.5	0.7
55-59	513.5	11.0	2.6	19.1	14.6	133.2	188.8	24.0	23.2	38.0	58.2	0.4	0.5
60-64	437.1	9.2	2.5	17.2	13.0	110.4	157.4	22.0	21.3	31.0	52.3	0.3	0.4
65-69	351.0	7.3	2.2	14.3	10.9	87.0	125.9	18.0	17.8	24.7	42.4	0.2	0.3
70-74	247.9	4.5	1.6	9.8	7.4	59.4	88.0	13.2	13.2	19.0	31.5	0.1	0.2
75-79	155.9	3.0	1.2	6.2	4.7	35.3	56.4	8.6	8.8	11.9	19.7	0.1	0.1
80-84	85.7	1.7	0.7	3.7	2.9	18.5	29.9	5.1	5.3	6.8	11.0	—	—
85-89	41.2	0.7	0.3	1.9	1.5	7.5	13.5	2.6	3.2	3.8	6.1	—	—
90+	18.7	0.4	0.2	0.8	0.6	3.2	6.0	1.2	1.6	1.7	3.1	—	—
Female	11,702.1	276.5	60.0	417.9	342.5	3,176.4	4,226.1	518.9	465.0	936.5	1,252.0	10.0	20.5
0-4	850.6	27.3	4.6	31.3	28.7	218.7	296.3	39.8	37.4	77.6	85.4	1.0	2.7
5-9	904.7	30.2	5.1	34.5	29.5	228.5	320.6	41.4	37.7	79.6	93.8	1.0	2.7
10-14	1,079.1	32.7	6.2	40.6	34.8	292.3	379.2	46.6	45.2	90.0	108.0	1.1	2.6
15-19	1,159.0	31.1	6.4	42.6	36.2	325.6	401.4	49.7	48.8	95.4	118.4	1.0	2.2
20-24	1,098.5	26.6	5.3	38.3	32.8	306.3	386.5	48.1	43.0	96.1	112.0	1.2	2.2
25-29	1,000.6	23.3	4.7	34.3	28.4	279.2	359.0	42.3	32.8	85.0	108.2	1.2	2.1
30-34	863.9	18.8	3.8	28.5	22.7	248.9	313.8	34.9	26.8	70.1	93.0	1.0	1.6
35-39	679.9	13.4	3.0	22.3	17.7	193.6	250.3	27.2	22.9	54.4	73.3	0.6	1.1
40-44	624.5	11.9	2.8	20.2	15.9	176.2	234.1	25.0	22.3	49.1	65.4	0.5	1.0
45-49	622.9	11.1	2.6	20.0	15.9	177.9	232.7	25.9	23.4	47.0	65.3	0.4	0.7
50-54	621.9	10.7	2.7	20.3	16.1	169.9	236.8	27.7	24.2	44.3	68.3	0.4	0.5
55-59	552.6	10.4	2.7	20.6	15.6	146.5	202.4	26.0	24.0	39.3	64.4	0.2	0.4
60-64	475.5	8.9	2.6	18.3	13.6	125.3	170.5	23.5	21.8	32.4	58.1	0.2	0.3
65-69	397.6	7.2	2.2	15.1	11.6	104.8	145.4	20.1	18.1	25.8	46.9	0.1	0.2
70-74	303.8	4.9	1.7	11.5	8.6	79.0	114.4	15.5	13.8	19.9	34.2	0.1	0.1
75-79	217.9	3.8	1.4	8.6	6.5	53.1	84.4	11.2	9.8	14.0	25.0	—	0.1
80-84	140.0	2.4	1.1	6.0	4.4	30.5	55.0	7.5	7.0	9.0	17.0	—	—
85-89	73.6	1.2	0.6	3.1	2.3	14.0	29.1	4.2	4.0	5.1	10.0	—	—
90+	35.7	0.5	0.4	1.6	1.2	6.0	14.1	2.1	2.1	2.4	5.2	—	—

— Amount too small to be expressed.

Note: Figures may not add due to rounding.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ended April 14

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	1,863,545	2,305,755	4,169,300
Short tons, 1977	2,493,813	1,887,978	4,381,791
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 690 580	2 091 746	3 782 326
Metric tonnes, 1977	2 262 349	1 712 745	3 975 094
% change	-25.3	22.1	-4.8
Cars, 1978	35,605	34,391	69,996
Cars, 1977	39,510	28,170	67,680
% change	-9.9	22.1	3.4
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	178,126	59,433	237,559
Short tons, 1977	147,994	53,217	201,211
Metric tonnes, 1978	161 593	53 917	215 510
Metric tonnes, 1977	134 258	48 278	182 536
% change	20.4	11.7	18.1
Cars, 1978	5,551	2,508	8,059
Cars, 1977	4,393	2,263	6,656
% change	26.4	10.8	21.1
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	32,948,627	30,673,275	63,621,902
Short tons, 1977	33,957,931	29,906,093	63,864,024
Metric tonnes, 1978	29 890 492	27 826 327	57 716 819
Metric tonnes, 1977	30 806 117	27 130 351	57 936 468
% change	-3.0	2.6	-0.4
Cars, 1978	553,673	461,176	1,014,849
Cars, 1977	566,187	452,563	1,018,750
% change	-2.2	1.9	-0.4
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	2,454,119	876,569	3,330,688
Short tons, 1977	2,302,933	829,247	3,132,180
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 226 339	795 210	3 021 549
Metric tonnes, 1977	2 089 186	752 280	2 841 466
% change	6.6	5.7	6.3
Cars, 1978	73,575	35,278	108,853
Cars, 1977	70,105	35,640	105,745
% change	4.9	-1.0	2.9

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1977 figures have been revised. 1978 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended April 14, 1978 —
Published Only in the Daily

Canadian rail freight loadings in the above-noted week declined 4.8% to 3.8 million t (4.2 million short tons) from 4.0 million t (4.4 million short tons) in 1977. Due mainly to continuing labour problems in the iron ore mining industry, traffic in the East dropped 25.3% in the current period, while loadings west of the Lakehead were up by 22.1%. Trailer-container (piggyback) shipments rose 18.1%.

In the January 1 to April 14, 1978 period, railways loaded 57.7 million t (63.6 million short tons), a decline of 0.4% from 1977. The corresponding carload count

was down by the same margin but cumulative container-trailer (piggyback) traffic registered a gain of 6.3%.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Deaths by Province

	1976		1975	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
Canada	167,009	7.3	167,404*	7.3*
Newfoundland	3,323	6.0	3,219	5.9
Prince Edward Island	1,095	9.3	1,057	8.9
Nova Scotia	6,955	8.4	6,799	8.3
New Brunswick	5,202	7.7	5,150	7.6
Quebec	43,011	6.9	43,642*	7.1*
Ontario	60,645	7.3	60,604	7.4
Manitoba	8,262	8.1	8,385	8.2
Saskatchewan	7,809	8.5	7,672	8.4
Alberta	11,584	6.3	11,397	6.4
British Columbia	18,788	7.6	19,151	7.8
Yukon	123	5.6	112	5.4
Northwest Territories	212	5.0	216	5.7

*Estimated.

Mortality, 1976 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates indicate a total of 167,000 deaths among Canadian residents in 1976. The overall death rate of 7.3 per 1,000 population remained unchanged from 1975. Although there were no significant variations in provincial rates in 1976, death rates in the Atlantic Provinces and Saskatchewan were fractionally higher while all others showed marginal declines from the previous year.

Diseases of the heart continued to be the leading cause of death, accounting for 58,010 or 34.7% of the total; this percentage was up slightly from 1975. Cancer, the second leading cause, was responsible for a record 34,832 deaths, or 20.9%. Cerebrovascular diseases caused 15,964 deaths, or 9.6% of the total, down from 9.8% in 1975. Respiratory diseases accounted for 11,801 deaths, or 7.1% of the aggregate. The number of accidental deaths decreased from 12,341 in 1975 to 11,251 (6.7%) in 1976, mainly due to a sharp decline in motor vehicle accident fatalities.

For further information, contact Dr. J.S. Cudmore, Epidemiologist or Mr. J. Silins, Chief, Vital Statistics and Disease Registries Section (613-995-0864), Health Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Key Economic Series, May 1978

During the coming month, release of Key Economic Series data is expected to be in accordance with the schedule outlined below. Where a range of dates is given for a series, this represents the period within which publication of the data can be reasonably expected, the variability taking account of circumstances peculiar to each series. Any range may be exceeded on rare occasions, for reasons unpredictable at this time.

May 4 to 15: Industry Selling Price Index, month of March;

May 9: Labour Force Survey, month of April;

May 9 to 12: Retail Trade, month of March;

May 9 to 15: Industrial Corporations, Financial Statistics (Preliminary Data), First Quarter 1978;

May 9 to 18: General Wholesale Price Index, month of March;

May 15 to 18: Index of Industrial Production, month of March;

May 16: Consumer Price Index (National), month of April;

May 16 to 17: Wholesale Trade, month of March;

May 17 to 19: Consumer Credit, month of March;

May 18 to 23: Inventories, Shipments and Orders, month of March;

May 18 to 25: Employment, Earnings and Hours, month of March;

May 23 to 26: Real Domestic Product, month of March;

May 23 to 26: Financial Flows, Fourth Quarter 1977;

May 25: Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, month of April;

May 25 to 31: Unemployment Insurance Statistics, month of March;

May 26: Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, month of April;

May 30 to June 1: Labour Income, month of March.

Due to unforeseen problems, no firm release dates are currently available for the February report on *Building Permits* although it is hoped that preliminary data will be released in the period May 1 to 15.

Notice of advance information availability: Field Crop Reporting Series No. 4, Telegraphic Crop Report, Canada, available May 11, 1978 at 3 p.m. E.D.S.T.; Field Crop Reporting Series No. 5, Telegraphic Crop Report, Prairie Provinces, available May 18, 1978 at 3 p.m. E.D.S.T.

It should be noted that the June schedule of Key Economic Series will appear in the Daily on May 29, 1978.

For any enquiry concerning the release of these series, please contact Mr. Jack Kerr (613-992-1548), Production Planning and Scheduling Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

April 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	Apr. 21/78 This week	Apr. 14/78 Week ago	Mar. 23/78 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	105.0	104.0	100.4
Industrials	85	99.1	98.3	94.0
Foods	9	108.4	108.7	107.3
Alcoholic beverages	5	90.4	91.1	88.9
Textiles and clothing	3	138.9	138.0	132.1
Pulp and paper	7	135.8	132.0	125.6
Printing and publishing	5	105.3	104.6	103.8
Primary metals	4	107.3	104.7	102.6
Industrial mines	6	71.4	69.9	65.0
Metal fabricating	9	171.9	169.2	159.9
Non-metallic minerals	4	102.0	101.5	100.3
Petroleum	8	104.2	105.8	100.9
Chemicals	5	110.8	110.4	106.1
Construction	5	277.8	282.1	273.2
Trade	15	86.1	84.7	82.2
Utilities and services	28	107.0	105.7	104.3
Transportation	6	134.9	131.3	129.7
Pipelines	5	90.8	90.5	89.0
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	119.2	119.9	116.8
Telephone	4	111.2	110.0	108.9
Electric power	3	140.4	139.6	139.2
Gas distribution	5	88.8	87.7	86.1
Finances	21	131.3	129.6	126.6
Banks	8	132.9	130.8	127.5
Investment and loan	9	121.9	120.9	119.6
Insurance	4	155.9	155.0	148.6
Mining Index	17	117.1	120.9	118.1
Gold	9	252.2	263.0	260.5
Base metals	8	52.3	52.8	49.9
Uranium	2	221.4	217.2	198.6
Primary oils and gas index	5	139.6	145.1	136.8

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

**Selected Principal Statistics for the Manufacturers of Prefabricated Buildings
(Wood Frame Construction) Industry for 1975 and 1976 — Advance Information**

S.I.C. 2543		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	87	87	0
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	4,779	4,798	0.4
Man-hours paid	000's	9,714	9,965	2.6
Manufacturing wages	\$000	44,129	51,205	16.0
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,780	2,008	12.8
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	203,763	232,156	13.9
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	319,996	365,753	14.3
Value added	\$000	116,014	136,899	18.0
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	6,316	6,317	0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	62,881	76,017	20.9
Total value added	\$000			

For further information, contact P.E. Martin (613-992-5140) Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Sash, Door and Other Millwork Plants* (35-205, 70¢).

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When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Charlottetown, Fredericton, Moncton, Saint John and Sydney by calling the operator and asking for ZENITH 22066. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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Sales Financing, February 1978 — Advance Information

Sales finance companies purchased \$211.0 million of retail finance paper in February, an increase of 11.8% from the \$188.7 million purchased in February 1977. Total purchases comprised \$48.7 million for passenger cars, \$28.6 million for other consumer goods, \$85.8 million for commercial vehicles and \$47.9 million for other commercial and industrial goods.

Wholesale financing undertaken by these companies during the fourth quarter of 1977 amounted to \$2,135.1 million, an increase of 6.0% over the \$2,013.9 million financed in October-December 1976.

For further information, order the February issue of *Sales Financing* (63-013, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3583), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, January 1978 — Advance Information

Crude petroleum production for January amounted to 1,368,000 barrels a day (217 000 cubic metres/day), down 4.0% from 1,425,000 B/D (226 000 cubic metres/day) in January 1977.

Natural gas production for the latest period averaged 11,159,000 Mcf./D (316 000 thousands of cubic metres/day), an increase of 3.9% from 10,737,000 Mcf./D (304 000 thousands of cubic metres/day) in January 1977.

For further information, order the January issue of *Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production* (26-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile, March 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 3,689 short tons (3 347 t) or 7,536,969 square feet (700 207 m²) of vinyl-asbestos floor tile in March compared to 3,946 short tons (3 580 t) or 7,771,310 square feet (721 978 m²) in March 1977.

For further information, order the March issue of *Production and Shipments of Floor Tiles* (47-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Neville (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, March 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers shipped 1,557,466,000 square feet (144 693 000 m²) of corrugated boxes and wrappers in March, an increase of 0.3% from 1,553,189,000 square feet (144 295 000 m²) in March 1977.

January to March shipments totalled 4,317,133,000 square feet (401 073 000 m²) in 1978 compared to 4,193,429,000 square feet (390 435 000 m²) in 1977.

For further information, order the March issue of *Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers* (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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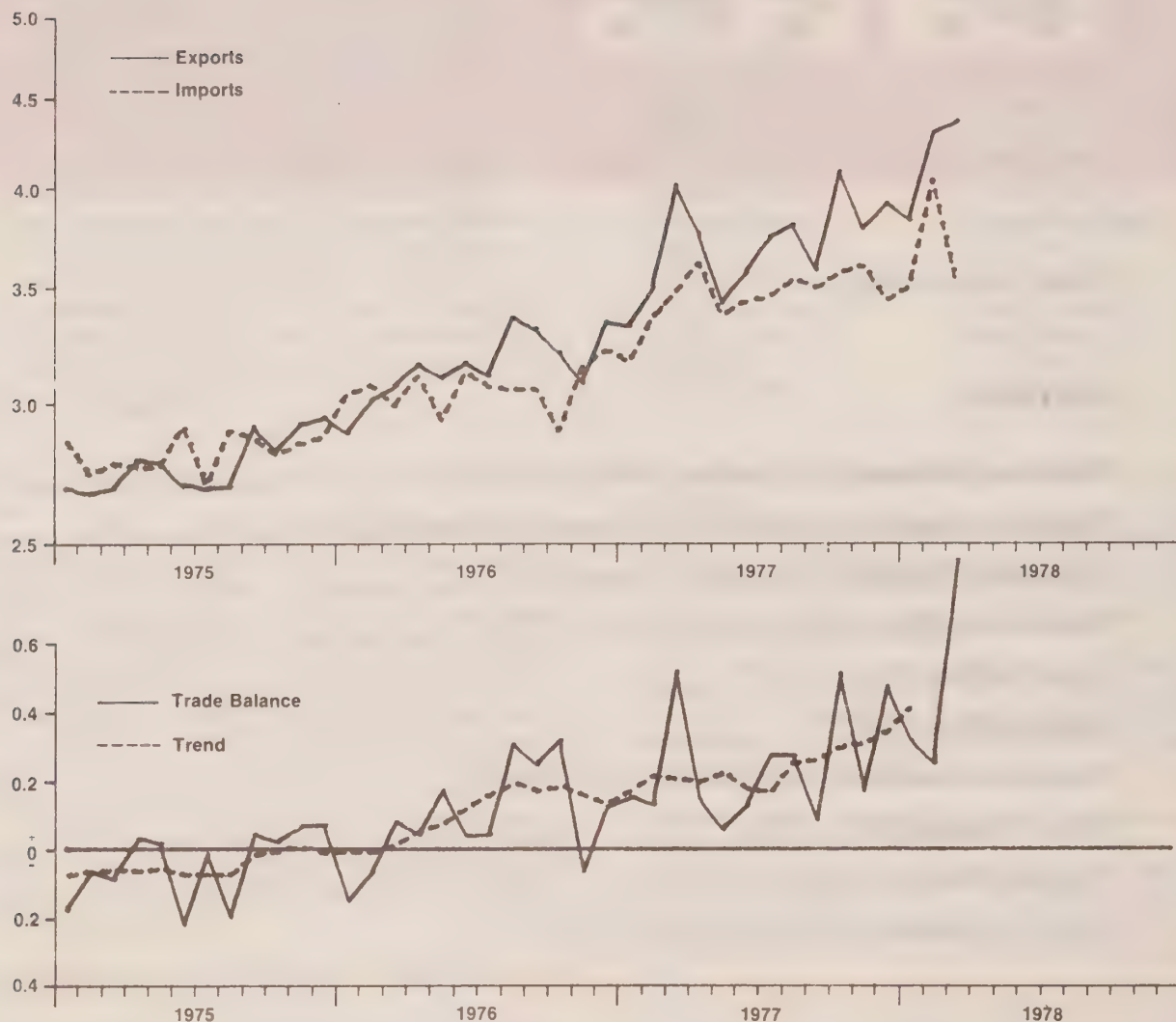
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EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE: ALL COUNTRIES

Seasonally Adjusted
Balance of Payments Basis
Billions of Dollars



Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, March 1978
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Canadian exports, seasonally adjusted on a balance of payments basis, rose 1.5% to a record level of \$4,361 million in March. Imports, in contrast, declined by 13% to \$3,521 million, a figure close to the average monthly rate for the second half of 1977. As a result, the merchandise trade surplus more than tripled to \$840 million in March from the revised surplus of \$252 million for the previous month.

Compared to the fourth quarter of 1977, the advance in exports in the first quarter surpassed that of imports. Seasonally-adjusted exports gained almost 6% in the first quarter to \$12,489 million, while imports increased 4% to \$11,077 million. The merchandise trade surplus accordingly improved by nearly 25% to \$1,412 million in the first quarter of 1978 from \$1,154 million in the fourth quarter of 1977.

Exports (Customs Basis)

Seasonally-adjusted exports to the United States fell 2.8% to \$2,876 million in March, following a smaller decline in February (on the basis of revised totals). Shipments of lumber, non-ferrous metals, motor vehicle parts and other transportation and communication equipment dropped from high levels of February. Increased exports of metallic concentrates and trucks in part offset the decline.

Shipments to overseas countries rose 4% to \$1,390 million in March, following a strong rebound in February. Seasonally-adjusted exports fell in March to Japan and the European Economic Community, but advanced sharply to the remaining countries. Exports of wheat, coal and forestry products increased, but shipments of barley, oilseeds, metallic ores and non-ferrous metals declined.

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Merchandise Trade of Canada

	Customs Basis*		Balance of Payments Basis*				Trade Balance
	Unadjusted		Unadjusted		Seasonally Adjusted		
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports (\$ millions)	Exports	Imports	
1976							
Fourth Quarter	9,876	9,549	10,010	9,452	9,672	9,296	376
1977							
First Quarter	10,294	9,941	10,299	9,826	10,842	10,046	796
Second Quarter	11,551	11,421	11,602	11,239	10,782	10,451	331
Third Quarter	10,587	9,899	10,620	9,859	11,148	10,522	626
Fourth Quarter	11,767	10,809	12,044	10,734	11,793	10,639	1,154
1978							
First Quarter	11,511	10,595	11,586	10,594	12,489	11,077	1,412
1977							
October	4,046	3,710	4,192	3,691	4,084	3,575	509
November	3,660	3,611	3,776	3,578	3,789	3,617	172
December	4,061	3,488	4,076	3,465	3,920	3,447	473
1978							
January	3,508	3,183	3,493	3,193	3,833	3,513	320
February	4,065	3,901	4,061	3,890	4,295	4,043	252
March	3,938	3,511	4,032	3,511	4,361	3,521	840

*In the above table, export and import totals are shown on both a "customs" and a "balance-of-payments" basis. The figures on a customs basis are the totals of detailed merchandise trade data tabulated from customs documents according to procedures and concepts explained in Summary of External Trade. The figures on a balance-of-payments basis reflect a number of adjustments applied to the customs totals to make them consistent with the concepts and definitions used in the system of national accounts. The adjustments include timing adjustments to exports of crude petroleum, natural gas and wheat and to receipts and payments for capital equipment deduction of transportation charges included in the customs returns and the reduction of import values calculated for customs duty purposes to values which reflect transaction prices. For more information about these adjustments, please refer to Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments (67-001, \$1.05/\$4.20).

At a record high of \$8,857 million, seasonally-adjusted exports to the U.S. in the first quarter of 1978 stood 7.5% above the level of the final three months of 1977. Substantial increases took place over the quarter in shipments of metallic ores, non-ferrous metals, lumber, some other industrial materials, motor vehicle parts and non-automotive equipment. Exports of pulp, newsprint, chemicals and trucks were lower in the months of January-March.

Seasonally-adjusted exports to overseas countries expanded 5.8% to \$3,557 million in the first quarter of 1978, following a 1.5% decline in the previous three months. The latest total was a shade below the record level reached in the first quarter of 1977. Increases from the December quarter were recorded in seasonally-adjusted shipments of barley, oilseeds, coal, newsprint, non-ferrous metals and machinery. Exports of wheat, metallic concentrates, asbestos, pulp and non-automotive equipment declined.

Imports (Customs Basis)

Following a sharp recovery in February, seasonally-adjusted imports from the U.S. declined 9% to \$2,510 million in March; this level was slightly higher than the average monthly level for the final quarter of 1977. Similarly, imports from overseas countries fell nearly 22% to \$1,011 million in March, a level some 5% lower than the revised January rate. The March drop in imports was distributed almost evenly between Japan and the E.E.C., on the one hand, and the remaining countries on the other hand. Imports of crude oil and automotive parts fell sharply from the unusually high

levels of February, accounting for about 60% of the over-all drop. Imports of machinery and industrial materials were also lower in March, but the seasonally-adjusted arrivals of motor vehicles remained unchanged between the two months.

Notwithstanding the March decline, imports from the U.S. rose in the first three months of 1978 for the second consecutive quarter. At \$7,704 million, imports from the U.S. in the months of January-March were up 3% over the preceding period. Imports from overseas countries likewise rose 3% to \$3,373 million, with increases from the E.E.C. and Japan being partly offset by reduced imports from the remaining countries. Seasonally-adjusted imports of chemicals, other industrial materials, motor vehicles and other equipment were stronger in the first quarter, but imports of fruits and vegetables, crude oil and automotive components declined.

It should be noted that trading day adjustment factors used to calculate seasonally-adjusted series in this release have been modified to compensate for recently-introduced changes in data collection procedures.

For further information on area and commodity trade, order the March issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

(see tables on pages 4-9)

Table 1

Imports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1976							
Fourth Quarter	9,393.1	7,082.7	6,473.7	304.0	2,615.4	534.7	406.4
1977							
First Quarter	10,199.0	7,433.6	7,143.4	307.3	2,748.3	565.7	428.3
Second Quarter	10,675.1	7,732.9	7,587.9	323.7	2,763.5	598.8	440.1
Third Quarter	10,603.3	7,880.1	7,427.9	326.2	2,849.2	627.6	459.2
Fourth Quarter	10,755.8	7,831.1	7,480.9	328.7	2,946.2	573.7	487.5
1978							
First Quarter	11,076.9	7,886.9	7,703.7	343.3	3,029.9	681.0	504.6
1977							
October	3,608.0	2,644.0	2,528.4	109.2	970.4	180.8	170.8
November	3,663.1	2,346.5	2,604.9	107.9	950.3	185.0	139.9
December	3,484.9	2,840.6	2,347.7	111.6	1,025.6	207.9	176.9
1978							
January	3,502.9	2,318.0	2,434.4	94.4	974.1	195.5	153.9
February	4,053.4	3,122.4	2,759.6	141.6	1,152.2	256.0	211.7
March	3,520.6	2,446.5	2,509.7	107.3	903.6	229.5	138.9
			Percent changes				
March/February	-13.1	-21.6	-9.0	-24.1	-21.5	-10.3	-34.3
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	2.9	0.7	2.9	4.4	2.8	18.6	3.5
Mar. 78/Mar. 77	-0.9	-5.4	3.1	-2.5	-10.6	15.6	-4.4

Table 2

Imports by Principal Trading Areas

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Mar. 1977	Feb. 1977	Jan. 1977	Mar. 1977	Feb. 1977	Jan. 1977
	(\$ millions)								
United States	2,573.5	2,664.1	2,098.3	2,640.8	2,276.4	2,032.0	-2.5	17.0	3.2
United Kingdom	118.1	128.3	97.0	126.4	92.4	89.0	-6.5	38.9	9.0
Other E.E.C.	229.4	222.2	191.0	198.0	167.9	162.8	15.8	32.3	17.2
Japan	146.1	194.1	160.4	153.3	133.7	132.5	-4.7	45.1	21.0
Other O.E.C.D.	91.6	111.6	105.7	105.4	85.1	103.6	-13.0	31.1	2.0
Other America	142.6	186.8	270.2	234.9	178.3	206.2	-39.3	4.7	31.0
Other Countries	209.8	394.2	260.4	284.5	253.7	283.1	-26.2	55.3	-7.9
All Countries	3,511.1	3,901.3	3,183.0	3,743.3	3,187.5	3,009.2	-6.1	22.4	5.7
	Year-to-Date						Mar.-Mar. Percent Changes		
	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Mar. 1977	Feb. 1977	Mar. 1976	Feb. 1976	78/77	77/76	
United States	7,335.9	4,762.5	6,949.3	4,308.4	6,254.1	3,982.1	5.5	11.1	
United Kingdom	343.5	225.4	307.8	181.4	301.7	189.5	11.6	2.0	
Other E.E.C.	642.6	413.1	528.7	330.7	470.0	299.7	21.5	12.4	
Japan	500.5	354.5	419.6	266.3	356.1	230.8	19.2	17.8	
Other O.E.C.D.	308.9	217.3	294.1	188.7	280.6	175.1	5.0	4.7	
Other America	599.6	457.0	619.3	384.4	442.7	332.7	-3.1	39.8	
Other Countries	864.4	654.6	821.2	536.7	1,046.9	701.5	5.2	-21.5	
All Countries	10,595.4	7,084.4	9,940.0	6,196.6	9,152.1	5,911.4	6.5	8.6	

Table 3
Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Mar. 1977	Feb. 1977	Jan. 1977	Mar.	Feb.	Jan.
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	2.8	2.8	2.3	3.3	2.9	3.5	-17.6	-4.3	-33.5
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	229.8	283.8	240.7	280.1	227.7	224.0	-17.9	24.6	7.4
Meat and fish	32.9	51.0	39.5	40.6	41.0	37.7	-18.8	24.4	4.6
Fruits and vegetables	84.0	88.6	70.2	86.7	73.9	62.7	-3.0	19.9	11.9
Raw sugar	0.0	20.2	20.0	4.9	12.8	22.6	-99.7	58.1	-11.3
Crude Materials, Inedible	284.0	506.5	448.9	386.3	340.4	436.9	-26.4	48.8	2.7
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	17.0	42.0	34.8	15.2	21.7	35.0	12.2	93.6	-0.5
Coal	0.4	0.6	14.7	2.3	5.3	25.2	-81.8	-88.2	-41.5
Crude petroleum	194.3	362.4	319.5	286.5	232.4	292.7	-32.1	55.9	9.1
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	631.3	653.9	526.7	644.8	498.8	474.6	-2.0	31.0	10.9
Wood and paper	59.1	60.9	46.5	67.5	53.2	50.0	-12.3	14.5	-7.1
Textiles	79.4	86.0	76.2	79.9	68.5	67.2	-0.6	25.5	13.3
Chemicals	204.7	201.4	152.0	202.3	148.9	133.0	1.2	35.2	14.2
Iron and steel	72.3	76.6	61.5	68.1	56.6	55.7	6.1	35.3	10.4
Bars and rods, steel	9.2	7.3	7.6	9.0	6.3	8.8	2.3	14.9	-13.5
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	21.1	30.0	21.5	19.3	21.5	17.5	9.3	39.2	23.1
Non-ferrous metals	51.3	58.6	38.1	42.6	31.4	33.4	20.2	86.3	14.2
End Products, Inedible	2,263.5	2,422.3	1,937.2	2,394.6	2,083.2	1,837.0	-5.4	16.2	5.4
General purpose machinery	124.6	133.2	109.2	130.9	112.7	97.6	-4.8	18.1	11.8
Special industry machinery	174.4	204.5	153.9	180.2	179.0	157.7	-3.2	14.2	-2.4
Machine tools, metalworking	12.3	16.7	16.2	15.7	11.0	11.5	-21.8	52.2	40.4
Agricultural machinery and tractors	111.7	114.2	83.0	138.2	119.0	111.7	-19.1	-4.0	-25.6
Transportation equipment	1,105.0	1,172.2	920.0	1,136.8	1,005.9	830.3	-2.7	16.5	10.7
Passenger automobiles and chassis	313.7	294.0	230.2	330.2	258.2	189.1	-4.9	13.8	21.7
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	105.2	93.3	57.3	89.7	93.3	64.0	17.3	-0.0	-10.3
Other motor vehicles	25.6	30.2	24.8	38.4	26.7	22.2	-33.3	12.7	11.8
Motor vehicle engines	58.5	62.6	44.9	49.7	41.8	36.5	17.7	49.8	23.0
Motor vehicle engine parts	52.4	61.3	56.5	59.5	55.5	49.7	-11.9	10.5	13.5
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	434.0	515.7	425.0	461.4	433.9	384.1	-5.9	18.8	10.6
Aircraft, complete with engines	20.3	11.6	2.4	8.4	6.5	7.1	141.2	79.0	-66.7
Other equipment and tools	415.4	433.0	365.4	432.2	349.2	343.6	-3.8	24.0	6.3
Electronic computers	57.5	60.0	52.9	51.8	44.3	44.2	10.9	35.4	19.7
Special Transactions, Trade	99.7	32.0	27.2	34.2	34.4	33.2	191.4	-6.9	-18.0
Total	3,511.1	3,901.3	3,183.0	3,743.3	3,187.5	3,009.2	-6.1	22.4	5.7

Papermakers and Other Felts, First Quarter 1978 — Advance Information

During the March quarter, Canadian manufacturers shipped 367,861 pounds (166 859 kg) of woven and needled papermakers' felts and jackets valued at \$5,665,210 to Canadian mills. In the same quarter of 1977, totals were 365,186 pounds (165 646 kg) and \$5,339,801.

For further information, order *Miscellaneous Industries Service Bulletin* (47-003, 35¢/\$1.40), or contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Asbestos Mines, 1976 — Advance Information

Total value added in asbestos mines reached \$373,206,122 in 1976, an increase of 62% over \$230,612,465 in 1975.

For further information, order the 1976 issue of *Asbestos Mines* (26-205, 70¢), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Table 3 (Continued)

Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Year-to-Date						Mar.-Mar. Percent Changes	
	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Mar. 1977	Feb. 1977	Mar. 1976	Feb. 1976	78/77	77/76
	(\$ millions)							
Live Animals	7.9	5.1	9.7	6.4	26.6	11.4	-19.3	-63.3
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	754.3	524.5	731.9	451.8	586.1	379.5	3.0	24.8
Meat and fish	123.4	90.5	119.3	78.7	119.2	78.1	3.4	0.0
Fruits and vegetables	242.9	158.9	223.3	136.6	184.7	122.7	8.7	20.9
Raw sugar	40.3	40.3	40.2	35.4	47.2	27.4	0.0	-14.7
Crude Materials, Inedible	1,239.4	955.4	1,163.7	777.3	1,273.0	915.9	6.5	-8.5
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	93.8	76.7	71.8	56.6	70.3	48.8	30.5	2.1
Coal	15.8	15.4	32.9	30.5	46.8	44.8	-51.9	-29.7
Crude petroleum	876.1	681.8	811.6	525.1	933.5	672.4	7.9	-13.0
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	1,811.9	1,180.6	1,618.1	973.4	1,547.1	1,008.3	11.9	4.5
Wood and paper	166.5	107.4	170.7	103.2	220.2	147.4	-2.4	-22.4
Textiles	241.6	162.2	215.6	135.7	225.7	152.1	12.0	-4.4
Chemicals	558.0	353.3	484.2	281.9	413.1	264.8	15.2	17.1
Iron and steel	210.4	138.1	180.4	112.3	159.4	109.2	16.6	13.1
Bars and rods, steel	24.1	14.9	24.1	15.1	18.4	11.8	-0.0	30.8
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	72.7	51.5	58.3	39.0	47.5	33.8	24.5	22.7
Non-ferrous metals	147.9	96.7	107.4	64.8	104.3	61.6	37.7	3.0
End Products, Inedible	6,623.0	4,359.5	6,314.7	3,920.2	5,606.5	3,526.8	4.8	12.6
General purpose machinery	366.9	242.3	341.3	210.4	348.9	228.2	7.5	-2.1
Special industry machinery	532.7	358.3	516.9	336.7	471.0	313.6	3.0	9.7
Machine tools, metalworking	45.2	32.9	38.2	22.5	35.9	23.8	18.1	6.6
Agricultural machinery and tractors	308.9	197.2	368.9	230.7	332.1	205.1	-16.2	11.0
Transportation equipment	3,197.2	2,092.1	2,973.0	1,836.2	2,578.6	1,582.4	7.5	15.3
Passenger automobiles and chassis	837.9	524.3	777.5	447.3	653.8	390.8	7.7	18.9
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	255.9	150.6	247.0	157.3	203.2	123.4	3.5	21.5
Other motor vehicles	80.5	55.0	87.3	48.9	63.7	39.0	-7.7	37.1
Motor vehicle engines	166.0	107.5	128.0	78.3	127.0	82.2	29.7	0.7
Motor vehicle engines parts	170.2	117.8	164.7	105.2	111.6	72.4	3.3	47.6
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	1,374.7	940.7	1,279.4	818.0	1,147.8	704.6	7.4	11.4
Aircraft, complete with engines	34.2	13.9	21.9	13.5	24.2	14.4	55.7	-9.4
Other equipment and tools	1,213.7	798.4	1,125.0	692.8	988.2	631.9	7.8	13.8
Electronic computers	170.4	112.9	140.3	88.5	92.8	57.2	21.4	51.1
Special Transactions, Trade	158.9	59.3	101.8	67.6	112.9	69.5	56.0	-9.8
Total	10,595.4	7,084.4	9,940.0	6,196.6	9,152.1	5,911.4	6.5	8.6

The Dairy Review, February 1978 — Advance Information

An estimated 1,057,046,000 pounds of milk were produced for all purposes in February, up 0.8% from February 1977.

This brought the total estimate of production for the first two months of 1978 to 2,226,071,000 pounds, an increase of 3.3% from the January-February period last year.

For further information, order the March issue of *The Dairy Review* (23-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Sales of Cement, March 1978 — Advance Information

Advance information on sales of cement as reported by Canadian producers for the month of March is now available.

For details, contact Mr. Gordon McWade (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Table 4
Total Exports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs Basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	Total excluding cars and wheat	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1976								
Fourth Quarter	9,537.8	7,543.3	7,241.9	6,465.1	455.2	2,617.5	719.8	614.7
1977								
First Quarter	10,914.0	8,350.5	7,848.4	7,351.5	480.8	3,081.7	726.5	664.6
Second Quarter	10,809.4	8,288.9	7,849.7	7,592.8	484.7	2,731.9	688.9	658.8
Third Quarter	11,194.4	8,794.2	8,308.2	7,781.5	496.6	2,916.3	674.3	645.5
Fourth Quarter	11,596.4	8,860.3	8,406.1	8,235.6	495.2	2,865.6	752.2	615.7
1978								
First Quarter	12,413.7	9,296.5	8,906.3	8,857.1	473.9	3,082.7	627.7	675.5
1977								
October	3,968.2	3,038.4	2,873.5	2,716.2	163.9	1,088.1	252.5	249.2
November	3,697.7	2,529.3	2,429.0	2,823.1	128.6	746.0	212.7	158.2
December	3,930.7	3,292.6	3,103.6	2,696.3	202.8	1,031.6	287.0	208.3
1978								
January	3,847.9	2,685.6	2,583.1	3,018.4	120.5	709.0	178.9	181.8
February	4,299.4	3,487.4	3,346.8	2,962.4	184.4	1,152.6	238.4	288.5
March	4,266.5	3,123.6	2,976.3	2,876.4	169.1	1,221.0	210.4	205.2
	Percent changes							
March/February	-0.7	-10.4	-11.0	-2.8	-8.2	5.9	-11.7	-28.8
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	7.0	4.9	5.9	7.5	-4.2	7.5	-16.5	9.7
Mar. 78/Mar. 77	7.0	1.6	3.2	11.9	2.9	-2.5	-15.8	-17.2

Table 5
Total Exports by Principal Trading Areas

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Mar. 1977	Feb. 1977	Jan. 1977	Mar.	Feb.	Jan.
	(\$ millions)								
United States	2,915.9	2,892.5	2,534.0	2,744.3	2,286.5	2,134.0	6.2	26.5	18.7
United Kingdom	177.4	170.7	126.1	169.1	137.5	159.3	4.8	24.1	-20.8
Other E.E.C.	215.0	236.3	185.7	207.7	216.6	235.5	3.5	9.0	-21.1
Japan	193.1	241.5	210.8	231.2	185.0	195.1	-16.4	30.5	8.0
Other O.E.C.D.	80.9	99.8	82.6	139.2	104.6	84.0	-41.9	-4.5	-1.6
Other America	137.4	166.7	159.9	155.7	125.6	117.0	-11.7	32.6	36.6
Other Countries	217.8	257.8	209.0	236.7	205.6	224.0	-7.9	25.3	-6.7
All Countries	3,937.5	4,065.3	3,508.1	3,883.9	3,261.4	3,148.9	1.3	24.6	11.4
	Year-to-Date						Mar.-Mar. Percent Changes		
	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Mar. 1977	Feb. 1977	Mar. 1976	Feb. 1976	78/77	77/76	
United States	8,342.4	5,426.5	7,164.7	4,420.4	6,007.0	3,858.6	16.4	19.2	
United Kingdom	474.2	296.8	465.9	296.8	427.9	275.1	1.7	8.8	
Other E.E.C.	637.0	422.0	659.8	452.1	558.6	399.6	-3.4	18.1	
Japan	645.4	452.3	611.3	380.1	609.6	442.5	5.5	0.2	
Other O.E.C.D.	263.2	182.4	327.8	188.5	224.3	148.5	-19.6	46.1	
Other America	464.0	326.6	398.3	242.7	352.9	238.0	16.4	12.8	
Other Countries	684.6	466.8	666.4	429.6	622.7	455.7	2.7	7.0	
All Countries	11,510.8	7,573.4	10,294.2	6,410.2	8,803.0	5,818.0	11.8	16.9	

Table 6

Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Mar. 1977	Feb. 1977	Jan. 1977	Mar.	Feb.	Jan.
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	16.1	17.6	9.5	7.9	7.1	9.2	103.7	148.6	3.7
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	294.5	341.1	281.6	312.2	283.5	295.4	-5.6	20.3	-4.6
Meat and fish	77.3	79.5	75.0	73.0	51.5	48.0	6.0	54.1	56.2
Cereals and preparations	136.4	162.3	140.5	149.0	151.9	181.5	-8.4	6.8	-22.5
Wheat	88.3	93.1	94.1	93.8	122.0	121.2	-5.8	-23.6	-22.3
Crude Materials, Inedible	658.7	751.4	729.4	717.4	633.2	709.2	-8.1	18.6	2.8
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	161.3	196.8	159.2	183.2	137.3	206.7	-11.9	43.3	-22.9
Crude petroleum	131.1	140.4	163.5	132.0	139.8	169.4	-0.6	0.4	-3.4
Natural gas	184.0	205.9	212.9	180.6	175.5	154.4	1.8	17.2	37.9
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	1,487.8	1,513.3	1,273.7	1,326.4	1,086.9	1,070.9	12.1	39.2	18.9
Wood and paper	724.1	701.9	630.9	673.9	547.2	543.4	7.4	28.2	16.1
Lumber, softwood	221.7	234.0	205.2	196.8	149.2	157.0	12.6	56.8	30.6
Wood pulp and similar pulp	166.2	173.5	147.3	195.4	190.9	160.2	-14.9	-9.1	-8.0
Newsprint paper	241.5	206.9	202.0	197.7	159.3	166.8	22.1	29.9	21.1
Textiles	12.8	12.6	8.4	11.7	9.4	7.1	9.0	33.4	17.3
Chemicals	188.2	173.6	117.9	161.8	129.4	123.4	16.3	34.1	-4.4
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	69.6	74.6	44.8	73.5	53.3	50.7	-5.2	40.0	-11.6
Petroleum and coal products	58.5	80.7	76.4	58.8	76.7	57.7	-0.4	5.2	32.3
Iron and steel	111.1	108.7	87.2	84.6	68.6	83.7	31.4	58.2	4.1
Non-ferrous metals	262.0	307.4	235.0	242.2	175.9	192.2	8.1	74.7	22.3
Copper and alloys	42.8	69.7	40.1	54.2	37.4	44.7	-21.0	86.4	-10.2
Nickel and alloys	57.0	76.1	71.0	29.6	20.8	33.5	92.6	265.5	111.6
End Products, Inedible	1,405.1	1,354.6	1,155.3	1,439.6	1,175.8	1,010.3	-2.3	15.2	14.3
Industrial machinery	118.5	116.9	93.0	118.6	89.0	72.6	-0.0	31.3	28.1
Agricultural machinery and tractors	45.9	53.8	25.2	63.6	48.9	35.0	-27.8	9.9	-28.0
Transportation equipment	1,026.9	957.5	880.0	1,073.3	872.8	771.7	-4.3	9.7	14.0
Passenger automobiles and chassis	396.6	343.1	331.8	451.5	345.1	323.1	-12.1	-0.5	2.7
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	223.5	212.1	182.1	175.1	158.6	142.1	27.6	33.7	28.1
Other motor vehicles	17.3	12.5	15.9	14.1	12.8	7.7	22.9	-2.6	106.0
Motor vehicle engines and parts	89.7	78.3	86.0	88.7	88.7	73.5	1.2	-11.7	16.9
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	229.2	236.1	213.0	237.2	196.3	178.3	-3.3	20.3	19.4
Other equipment and tools	96.1	96.2	68.9	84.0	73.5	59.2	14.4	30.9	16.3
Special transactions, Trade	14.9	8.1	7.0	4.8	5.6	5.6	209.2	44.5	23.6
Total	3,877.2	3,986.1	3,456.6	3,808.2	3,192.1	3,100.5	1.8	24.8	11.4

Report on Livestock Surveys, Pigs, April 1, 1978 — Advance Information

Total pig numbers in Canada (excluding Newfoundland) at April 1, 1978 were up 7% from a year earlier. In the West numbers increased by 2%. The estimate of farrowings for the January 1 to April 1, 1978 period shows an increase of 8% from the corresponding period in 1977.

For further information, order the April 1, 1978 *Report on Livestock Surveys, Pigs* (23-005, 35¢/\$1.40), or contact L.C. White (613-994-5855), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Table 6 (Continued)

Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Year-to-Date						Mar.-Mar. Percent Changes	
	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Mar. 1977	Feb. 1977	Mar. 1976	Feb. 1976	78/77	77/76
	(\$ millions)							
Live Animals	43.3	27.2	24.2	16.3	27.0	19.4	78.9	-10.4
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	917.2	622.7	891.0	578.9	881.8	673.1	2.9	1.0
Meat and fish	231.9	154.5	172.5	99.6	152.7	98.0	34.3	13.0
Cereals and preparations	439.2	302.8	482.3	333.3	562.8	469.5	-8.9	-14.2
Wheat	275.5	187.2	337.0	243.2	380.7	308.2	-18.2	-11.4
Crude Materials, Inedible	2,139.5	1,480.8	2,059.8	1,342.4	1,954.3	1,369.6	3.8	5.4
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	517.3	356.0	527.3	344.0	429.9	289.9	-1.8	22.6
Crude petroleum	435.0	303.9	441.2	309.2	671.2	488.2	-1.4	-34.2
Natural gas	602.7	418.8	510.5	329.9	401.7	273.6	18.0	27.0
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	4,274.9	2,787.1	3,484.1	2,157.8	2,724.7	1,756.2	22.7	27.8
Wood and paper	2,057.0	1,332.8	1,764.5	1,090.6	1,327.9	837.8	16.5	32.8
Lumber, softwood	660.9	439.1	503.0	306.1	331.5	211.5	31.3	51.7
Woodpulp and similar pulp	487.0	320.8	546.4	351.0	525.5	354.5	-10.8	3.9
Newsprint paper	650.4	408.9	523.8	326.1	325.3	175.9	24.1	61.0
Textiles	33.7	20.9	28.3	16.5	26.7	18.0	19.2	5.7
Chemicals	479.6	291.4	414.6	252.8	332.2	207.5	15.6	24.8
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	189.1	119.4	177.5	104.0	149.1	90.7	6.5	19.0
Petroleum and coal products	215.6	157.1	193.1	134.4	179.2	136.7	11.6	7.7
Iron and steel	307.0	195.8	236.9	152.4	194.1	130.8	29.5	22.0
Non-ferrous metals	804.3	542.4	610.3	368.1	496.4	311.3	31.8	22.9
Copper and alloys	152.6	109.8	136.2	82.0	133.5	89.9	11.9	2.0
Nickel and alloys	204.1	147.1	84.0	54.4	90.4	53.1	143.1	-7.1
End Products, Inedible	3,915.0	2,509.9	3,625.6	2,186.0	2,996.5	1,863.8	7.9	20.9
Industrial machinery	328.5	210.0	280.2	161.6	210.0	136.2	17.2	33.4
Agricultural machinery and tractors	124.8	78.9	147.5	83.8	137.2	88.5	-15.3	7.5
Transportation equipment	2,864.4	1,837.6	2,717.9	1,644.5	2,181.3	1,341.3	5.3	24.6
Passenger automobiles and chassis	1,071.6	674.9	1,119.7	668.2	896.6	567.4	-4.2	24.8
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	617.7	394.2	475.8	300.7	350.6	217.4	29.8	35.6
Other motor vehicles	45.6	28.3	34.6	20.5	34.5	20.9	31.9	0.1
Motor vehicle engines and parts	254.0	164.3	250.9	162.2	178.8	114.7	1.2	40.3
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	678.2	449.0	611.8	374.6	509.8	321.8	10.8	20.0
Other equipment and tools	261.1	165.0	216.6	132.6	187.8	115.7	20.5	15.3
Special Transactions, Trade	30.0	15.1	16.1	11.2	38.2	19.7	86.6	-57.9
Total	11,319.8	7,442.7	10,100.8	6,292.6	8,622.6	5,701.7	12.0	17.1

Unemployment Insurance Statistics

February 1978

	Feb. 1978	Jan. 1978	Feb. 1977	% Change From	
				Jan. 1978	Feb. 1977
Benefits					
Gross amount (\$000)	460,890	513,674	379,067	-10	22
Net amount (1) (\$000)	458,642	511,988	377,563	-10	21
Weeks of benefit (000)	4,182	4,712	3,734	-11	12
Average weekly benefit (\$)	110.21	109.01	101.51	1	9
Claims received (000)	211	300	200	-30	6
Beneficiaries (000)	1,017p	995p	927	2	10

	1978	To Date 1977	% Change From 2 Months 1978/1977
Benefits			
Gross amount (\$000)	974,565	776,098	26
Net amount (1) (\$000)	970,630	772,721	26
Weeks of benefit (000)	8,894	7,682	16
Average weekly benefit (\$)	109.57	101.02	8
Claims received (000)	511	466	10
Beneficiaries(2) (000)	1,006p	910	11

(1) After cancellation of warrants and collection of overpayments.

(2) Monthly average

p Preliminary figures

For further information order the February 1978 issue of *Preliminary Unemployment Insurance Statistics* (73-001-p) or *Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act* (73-001, Quarterly, \$1.05/\$4.20) or contact George Fincham (613-992-7461) Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Preliminary Report on Unemployment Insurance Statistics, February 1978 — Advance Information

For the week ending February 18, a total of 1,017,000* claimants were in receipt of unemployment insurance benefits, an increase of 2% from January and up 10% from February 1977. Thirty-six percent of the beneficiaries were female in the latest month, about the same proportion as a year earlier.

Net benefits paid in February amounted to \$459 million*, down 10% from January but 21% greater than in February 1977. For the first two months of 1978, disbursements reached \$971 million, 26% more than in the same period of 1977; an increase in the number of weeks of benefit paid accounted for the greater part of the rise.

Some 211,000 claims were received in February, a decrease of 30% from January (a drop of this magnitude is normal between these two months). Compared with February 1977, claims were 6% greater. For the first two months of 1978, claims filed numbered 511,000, 10% more than a year earlier.

* The count of beneficiaries cannot be related to the benefit payments made during a month. Whereas the latter figure covers all benefit payments made during the month, the count of beneficiaries represents the number of persons receiving benefit for a specific week each month.

Airport Activity, October 1977 — Advance Information

Airport activity statistics for the top 50 airports in Canada are now available for the month of October 1977.

Total scheduled enplaned plus deplaned passenger statistics for airports Toronto International, Montreal (Dorval) International and Mirabel International are shown in the accompanying table.

The airport tables and further information may be obtained by contacting Mr. W.J. Benoit (819-997-1986), Airport Activity Survey, Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

Airport Activity,

October 1977

	Toronto International	Montreal International	Mirabel International
October 1976	856,425	451,687	89,911
October 1977	888,851	455,021	85,048
% change	3.8%	.7%	-5.4%

Employment, Earnings and Hours, Advance Data

February 1978

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Employment Index Number									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations				Seasonally adjusted					
	Feb. 1978f	Jan. 1978p	Dec. 1977p	Nov. 1977r	Feb. 1977	Jan. 1977	Feb. 1978f	Jan. 1978p	Dec. 1977p	Nov. 1977r
					1961=100					
Industry Division:										
Forestry	67.6	68.2	77.1	83.7	64.7	65.4	78.0	77.3	83.5	80.4
Mining, including milling	119.9	120.7	119.7	121.7	119.6	119.7	120.3	121.7	120.3	121.4
Manufacturing	123.3	122.9	123.1	126.1	123.1	123.5	126.3	126.0	125.6	125.9
Durable Goods	135.4	135.0	135.6	138.7	135.4	136.1	138.0	137.3	137.1	137.3
Non-durable Goods	113.6	113.2	113.0	116.0	113.3	113.3	116.8	116.5	116.6	116.7
Construction	90.2	90.3	98.9	113.3	96.7	97.0	105.2	105.1	109.4	108.4
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	127.5	125.7	127.2	128.4	126.0	126.0	131.1	129.3	129.8	128.9
Trade	166.8	168.5	174.8	174.5	168.3	170.4	170.7	169.6	168.2	167.8
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	197.4	196.9	196.4	197.3	190.3	189.4	199.1	198.4	197.1	197.4
Service	247.0	245.6	245.9	253.8	237.7	235.8	256.4	255.6	254.5	256.2
Industrial Composite	140.5	140.2	142.3	145.4	139.7	140.1	145.1	144.3	144.0	144.0
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	123.1	123.3	127.2	132.0	121.6	121.6	132.2	131.4	132.0	130.3
Newfoundland	121.1	122.1	125.1	131.8	123.5	120.1	131.9	134.2	130.1	128.7
Prince Edward Island	138.2	135.1	143.7	151.4	129.5	129.0	161.1	154.3	153.8	151.9
Nova Scotia	122.9	123.6	127.3	130.6	120.8	121.4	128.5	128.9	129.7	129.3
New Brunswick	123.1	122.7	126.9	132.0	120.8	122.2	133.4	131.5	132.4	130.8
Quebec	122.5	122.5	124.6	127.2	124.0	125.0	126.5	126.2	126.5	125.5
Ontario	145.5	145.7	147.2	150.3	143.6	144.0	149.3	149.1	148.4	148.9
Prairie Region	154.7	155.1	157.0	160.7	153.3	153.0	159.9	159.9	159.2	159.9
Manitoba	119.6	119.9	122.3	125.5	121.8	122.4	123.4	123.1	123.8	124.5
Saskatchewan	136.5	137.1	140.3	144.1	138.3	137.9	142.4	142.6	142.7	143.0
Alberta	191.5	191.9	192.9	197.0	185.9	184.9	197.5	198.2	195.2	196.5
British Columbia	167.7	162.7	165.8	169.4	166.1	165.2	172.8	167.7	168.3	169.3
Yukon	186.0	186.2	189.6	193.5	177.0	173.9	199.2	202.2	197.3	197.9
Northwest Territories	139.3	138.7	139.6	143.1	144.0	143.7	150.6	152.9	155.4	152.4
Canada	140.5	140.2	142.3	145.4	139.7	140.1	145.1	144.3	144.0	144.0

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Employment, Earnings and Hours (Seasonally Adjusted), February 1978 — Advance Information

The first estimates of the Canadian industrial composite* index of employment (1961=100) for February 1978 showed a 0.6% increase from January. Gains were registered in all industry divisions with the exception of mining (including milling) where declines were recorded. All regions contributed to the over-all advance except the Prairie region which remained unchanged.

Average weekly earnings rose by 1.5% at the national industrial composite level in February. All industry divisions, except finance, insurance and real estate which declined, and all regions participated in the increase.

Average weekly hours and average hourly earnings of hourly-rated wage-earners advanced in mining (including milling), in manufacturing and in construction.

* Industrial composite is the sum of all industries with the exception of agriculture, fishing and trapping, education and related services, health and welfare services, religious

organizations, private households and public administration and defence. All statistics are based on returns received from employers having 20 or more employees in any month of the year. Notes on concepts and methods can be found in any issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours*.

Detailed information for December and January will be published in the February issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002, 70¢/\$7), and is also available from Mr. R. Ouellette (613-992-5613), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations						Seasonally adjusted			
	Feb. 1978f	Jan. 1978p	Dec. 1977p	Nov. 1977r	Feb. 1977	Jan. 1977	Feb. 1978f	Jan. 1978p	Dec. 1977p	Nov. 1977r
	dollars									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	345.38	331.96	249.22	332.55	332.13	316.35	330.00	327.31	280.75	326.35
Mining, including milling	371.97	365.74	362.65	362.40	340.37	339.26	368.00	361.47	362.80	357.57
Manufacturing	280.30	274.21	271.83	275.50	259.26	255.65	278.99	272.82	276.90	273.88
Durable Goods	298.72	289.39	290.17	296.59	276.86	271.28	297.95	288.29	298.07	293.80
Non-durable Goods	262.65	259.48	254.12	255.23	242.36	240.53	261.16	258.55	256.97	255.28
Construction	380.45	362.88	346.75	381.89	351.04	344.06	379.01	365.22	388.78	374.73
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	302.32	302.04	299.33	298.66	284.40	281.46	299.92	299.38	301.47	299.92
Trade	197.87	195.18	195.54	192.35	184.48	182.28	199.69	197.87	197.00	195.80
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	236.96	238.24	236.35	235.36	223.65	220.64	235.48	237.86	237.92	238.82
Service	176.13	174.56	175.22	173.39	168.06	166.87	176.91	173.45	176.44	174.28
Industrial Composite	258.40	255.55	252.72	256.35	242.63	239.52	258.27	255.68	258.85	256.17
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	229.11	229.26	222.91	225.83	217.31	217.54	227.22	227.19	228.20	226.99
Newfoundland	249.16	247.38	238.36	246.80	232.29	238.13	245.84	244.79	246.67	248.39
Prince Edward Island	192.25	194.44	192.08	190.91	183.71	187.23
Nova Scotia	219.63	219.83	214.72	216.59	206.58	204.01	219.02	217.83	220.32	218.56
New Brunswick	231.52	230.76	225.29	226.96	223.62	223.55	228.71	225.66	228.23	227.41
Quebec	255.23	252.82	248.58	252.59	236.68	233.74	254.64	253.02	253.89	251.93
Ontario	258.70	252.57	252.80	256.20	242.05	237.92	259.17	252.54	258.72	255.97
Prairie Region	256.90	254.50	250.21	251.14	240.79	237.83	256.41	255.21	255.52	251.69
Manitoba	234.20	231.63	229.83	226.93	219.67	219.07	235.76	233.59	233.52	228.62
Saskatchewan	244.97	242.28	239.90	239.05	227.09	224.59	245.22	243.67	241.93	239.07
Alberta	272.26	270.03	264.11	267.53	256.56	252.37	270.61	270.30	271.91	267.37
British Columbia	293.94	291.54	283.08	291.49	275.46	274.29	294.74	292.39	291.44	289.03
Yukon	340.90	348.64	347.80	343.44	339.43	340.34
Northwest Territories	296.31	289.53	296.47	303.06	299.74	287.91
Canada	258.40	255.55	252.72	256.35	242.63	239.52	258.27	255.68	258.85	256.17

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Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Hours and Average Hourly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted				
	Feb. 1978f	Jan. 1978p	Dec. 1977p	Nov. 1977r	Feb. 1977	Jan. 1977	Feb. 1978f	Jan. 1978p	Dec. 1977p	Nov. 1977r
number										
Average Weekly Hours:										
Canada:										
Mining, including milling	40.8	40.4	40.4	41.0	40.6	41.0	40.3	39.9	40.6	40.3
Manufacturing	38.9	37.8	37.9	39.0	38.9	38.5	38.7	37.8	39.2	38.6
Durable Goods	39.7	38.1	38.8	40.1	39.8	39.1	39.5	38.0	40.3	39.6
Non-durable Goods	38.1	37.5	37.0	37.9	38.0	37.9	38.0	37.5	38.1	37.6
Construction	38.0	36.1	34.9	39.0	37.7	37.3	38.3	36.9	39.6	38.9
Building	36.9	35.2	34.6	37.3	36.4	36.5	36.8	35.5	38.1	36.9
Engineering	40.6	38.2	35.5	42.2	40.6	39.0	41.0	39.5	42.1	42.2
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	38.3	38.3	36.3	37.5	38.6	38.1	38.3	37.8	37.8	37.7
Quebec	39.4	38.9	38.1	39.5	38.9	39.0	39.2	38.9	39.7	39.0
Ontario	39.3	37.5	38.6	39.7	39.7	38.8	39.3	37.5	39.9	39.3
Prairie Region	37.3	37.0	36.6	36.8	37.3	37.5	37.1	37.0	37.2	36.5
British Columbia	36.6	36.4	35.5	36.6	36.5	38.8	36.3	35.9	36.2	36.3
dollars										
Average Hourly Earnings:										
Canada:										
Mining, including milling	8.59	8.46	8.47	8.43	7.90	7.84	8.61	8.47	8.41	8.40
Manufacturing	6.67	6.64	6.60	6.57	6.17	6.11	6.68	6.64	6.62	6.58
Durable Goods	7.10	7.04	7.01	7.03	6.57	6.50	7.12	7.04	7.07	7.03
Non-durable Goods	6.22	6.21	6.15	6.08	5.73	5.70	6.23	6.20	6.14	6.11
Construction	10.26	10.17	9.92	10.04	9.50	9.43	10.11	10.03	10.08	9.87
Building	10.10	10.04	9.95	10.03	9.31	9.26	10.05	9.98	10.13	9.88
Engineering	10.56	10.42	9.87	10.05	9.89	9.82	10.29	10.28	10.12	9.87
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	6.07	6.07	6.03	5.96	5.74	5.74	5.93	5.95	5.86	5.98
Quebec	6.07	6.05	5.99	5.96	5.54	5.49	6.08	6.06	6.03	5.96
Ontario	6.74	6.68	6.67	6.65	6.26	6.19	6.76	6.68	6.70	6.65
Prairie Region	6.69	6.65	6.63	6.62	6.19	6.12	6.77	6.70	6.65	6.59
British Columbia	8.73	8.73	8.63	8.63	8.03	8.37	8.73	8.69	8.56	8.62

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Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Charlottetown, Fredericton, Moncton, Saint John and Sydney by calling the operator and asking for ZENITH 22066. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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New Housing Price Indexes

(1976=100)

	Weights	March 1978	February 1978	March 1977	% change	
					Mar./78 Feb./78	Mar./78 Mar./77
St. John's	1.0	101.7	101.7	100.8	—	0.9
Halifax	1.7	102.2	102.2	102.3	—	-0.1
Quebec	3.6	115.9	114.8	107.8	1.0	7.5
Montreal	9.5	105.0	106.0	105.4	-0.9	-0.4
Ottawa—Hull	5.7	100.9	101.0	103.0	-0.1	-2.0
Toronto	21.2	99.7	99.7	99.1	—	0.6
Hamilton	4.2	104.0	104.0	100.8	—	3.2
St. Catharines-Niagara	2.3	112.8	112.6	106.6	0.2	5.8
Kitchener	2.9	102.0	102.0	100.5	—	1.5
London	2.4	108.5	108.3	101.9	0.2	6.5
Windsor	1.0	110.9	110.8	104.4	0.1	6.2
Thunder Bay	0.9	114.7	114.7	105.7	—	8.5
Winnipeg	3.7	110.1	107.2	105.0	2.7	4.9
Regina	2.3	98.4	97.6	100.4	0.8	-2.0
Saskatoon	1.9	111.9	111.9	105.8	—	5.8
Calgary	9.9	114.5	108.1	106.0	5.9	8.0
Edmonton	9.8	110.9	110.9	105.7	—	4.9
Vancouver	10.6	97.9	97.9	100.0	—	-2.1
Victoria	1.9	95.8	95.8	97.8	—	-2.0
Canada Composite (22 cities)	100.0*	104.9	104.2	102.7	0.7	2.1

* Surveys in New Brunswick, Sudbury and Prince George account for the remaining weight.

For further details on the changes in these indexes, contact Mr. L.J. Seary (613-994-9387), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

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Summary of Net Shipments* of Rolled Steel Products

February 1978 — Advance Information

	Domestic		Export		Total	
	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes
Ingots and semi-finished shapes	35,387	32 103	22,312	20 240	57,699	52 343
Rails	17,859	16 202	9,833	8 920	27,692	25 122
Wire rods	60,031	54 458	32,427	29 418	92,458	83 876
Structural shapes:						
Heavy	56,835	51 559	19,523	17 710	76,358	69 269
Bar-sized shapes	13,671	12 401	4,394	3 986	18,065	16 387
Concrete reinforcing bars	32,316	29 318	—	—	32,316	29 318
Other hot rolled bars	80,891	73 383	12,807	11 619	93,698	85 002
Tie plates and track material	4,866	4 415	2,214	2 009	7,080	6 424
Plates (including plates for pipes and tubes)	113,367	102 846	19,601	17 782	132,968	120 628
Hot rolled sheets and strip	209,140	189 729	17,950	16 284	227,090	206 013
Cold finished bars	7,107	6 449	308	280	7,415	6 729
Cold reduced sheets and strip, cold rolled						
other, coated	152,693	138 521	13,699	12 428	166,392	150 949
Galvanized sheets	72,684	65 936	18,217	16 526	90,901	82 462
Total	856,847	777 320	173,285	157 202	1,030,132	934 522

*Producers' shipments excluding producers' interchange.

For further information, order the February issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Farm Net Income (Preliminary), 1977 — Advance Information

Realized net income of farm operators from farming operations in Canada (excluding Newfoundland and the Yukon and Northwest Territories) amounted to an estimated \$3,528.6 million in 1977, down 6.9% from the revised 1976 level of \$3,788.5 million.

Realized gross income — farm cash receipts plus income in kind — increased 1.9% in 1977 to \$11,278.6 million.

Total farm cash receipts for all provinces except Newfoundland reached an estimated \$10,171.9 million in 1977, up 1.3% from the revised 1976 level of \$10,038.5 million. Increased receipts from the sale of livestock and livestock products more than offset a decline in crop receipts. The estimates include: cash receipts from the sale of farm products, Wheat Board payments, net cash advances and deferred grain receipts in Western Canada, and deficiency payments.

Farm operating expenses and depreciation charges increased in 1977 to \$7,750.0 million, 6.5% above the revised 1976 level of \$7,276.6 million. Notable increases were recorded for farm expenditures on taxes, fuel, repairs to farm buildings, electricity and telephone, and interest payments on farm business debt. Expenditures on fertilizer showed almost no change at the Canada level.

Adjusting realized net income by \$48.3 million to account for value of change in farm inventories brought total net income to \$3,577.0 million.

For further information, order the 1977 issue of *Farm Net Income* (21-202, 70¢), or contact M. E. Jones (613-994-9989), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7. Additional information supporting the calculation of net farm income is also available on CANSIM.

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Motor Vehicle Production, March 1978 — Advance Information

Production of passenger cars totalled 112,153 units in March, down from 132,219 in March 1977. January to March production was 285,544 units in 1978 compared to 326,868 in 1977.

All commercial vehicles totalled 66,747 units compared to 61,577. Year-to-date production was 175,438 units in 1978 compared to 155,278 in 1977.

For further information, order the March issue of *Motor Vehicle Shipments* (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Electric Power Statistics, February 1978 — Advance Information

In February, net generation increased to 30.2 TW.h from 26.6 TW.h in February 1977. Hydro generation increased 18.1% while thermal production rose 5.5%.

For further information, order the February issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Income of Farm Operators from Farming Operations

1976 and 1977

	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick (\$000)	Quebec	Ontario
1976 (revised)					
1. Cash receipts	104,950	123,025	113,205	1,363,213	2,827,347
2. Income in kind	8,370	9,328	7,735	109,850	390,599
3. Supplementary payments	—	—	—	—	—
4. Realized gross income(1)	113,320	132,353	120,940	1,473,063	3,217,946
5. Operating and depreciation charges	69,416	100,102	79,632	1,070,748	2,257,650
6. Realized net income(2)	43,904	32,251	41,308	402,315	960,296
7. Value of inventory changes	6,746	-1,180	-589	-16,627	-69,068
8. Total gross income(3)	120,066	131,173	120,351	1,456,436	3,148,878
9. Total net income(4)	50,650	31,071	40,719	385,688	891,228
1977					
1. Cash receipts	88,599	128,158	109,579	1,430,953	2,875,224
2. Income in kind	8,469	8,925	7,783	124,522	431,026
3. Supplementary payments	—	—	—	—	—
4. Realized gross income(1)	97,068	137,083	117,362	1,555,475	3,306,250
5. Operating and depreciation charges	71,816	100,497	82,989	1,160,912	2,418,981
6. Realized net income(2)	25,252	36,586	34,373	394,563	887,269
7. Value of inventory changes	2,949	-1,138	-144	-215	85,430
8. Total gross income(3)	100,017	135,945	117,218	1,555,260	3,391,680
9. Total net income(4)	28,201	35,448	34,229	394,348	972,699
	Manitoba	Saskat- chewan	Alberta (\$000)	British Columbia	Canada*
1976 (revised)					
1. Cash receipts	894,545	2,285,293	1,849,739	477,225	10,038,542
2. Income in kind	69,069	158,983	155,101	117,603	1,026,638
3. Supplementary payments	—	—	—	—	—
4. Realized gross income(1)	963,614	2,444,276	2,004,840	594,828	11,065,180
5. Operating and depreciation charges	637,413	1,309,713	1,355,078	396,884	7,276,636
6. Realized net income(2)	326,201	1,134,563	649,762	197,944	3,788,544
7. Value of inventory changes	33,856	285,312	83,388	3,265	325,103
8. Total gross income(3)	997,470	2,729,588	2,088,228	598,093	11,390,283
9. Total net income(4)	360,057	1,419,875	733,150	201,209	4,113,647
1977					
1. Cash receipts	910,598	2,130,918	1,994,519	503,400	10,171,948
2. Income in kind	73,307	168,159	161,446	123,014	1,106,651
3. Supplementary payments	—	—	—	—	—
4. Realized gross income(1)	983,905	2,299,077	2,155,965	626,414	11,278,599
5. Operating and depreciation charges	685,809	1,398,214	1,418,043	412,697	7,749,958
6. Realized net income(2)	298,096	900,863	737,922	213,717	3,528,641
7. Value of inventory changes	96,345	-19,080	-112,580	-3,226	48,341
8. Total gross income(3)	1,080,250	2,279,997	2,043,385	623,188	11,326,940
9. Total net income(4)	394,441	881,783	625,342	210,491	3,576,982

*Excludes Newfoundland.

1. Sums of cash receipts, income in kind and supplementary payments.

2. Realized gross income less operating and depreciation charges.

3. Realized gross income plus or minus inventory changes.

4. Total gross income less operating and depreciation charges.

Consumption of Petroleum Products, 1976 — Advance Information

In 1976 sales of refined petroleum products amounted to 564,969,000 barrels, an increase of 3.05% from 548,228,000 barrels in 1975. Products included kerosene and stove oil, light, heavy and diesel fuel oil, motor gasoline, lubricating oils and greases, aviation gasoline and turbo fuel, and asphalt.

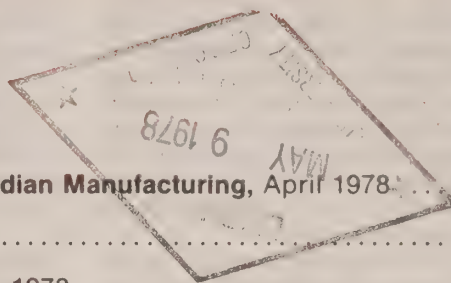
For further information, order the 1976 issue of *Refined Petroleum Products — Consumption of Petroleum Products* (45-208, 70¢), or contact George Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Business Conditions Survey, Manufacturing Industries, April 1978

In this qualitative or attitudinal survey, the production expectation question refers to anticipations for the quarterly period at the start of which the survey is conducted and asks for current expectations relative to the preceding quarter after allowance has been made by the respondent for normal seasonal conditions.

Response from the latest survey represents the opinion of management of 6,500 manufacturing establishments whose shipments of goods of own manufacture accounted for \$47.6 billion in 1975 or more than 53% of the total value for the manufacturing industry in that year. Answers were weighted by attaching to each the value of shipments reported to the 1975 Census of Manufactures by the establishments represented by the response. A small adjustment influencing the January 1978 data published in the Daily reflects inclusion of response received too late for the first release of results from that survey. Percentages are the proportions of weighted response that indicated a specified condition (e.g. "too high", "too low", or "about right") in answer to each question.

Reflecting a strong shift in expectations from those expressed in January for the first quarter of 1978, the April business conditions survey of manufacturing industries showed 39% of the weighted response expected second-quarter production to be higher than it was from January through March while just 14% expected it to decline. The remaining proportion (47%) indicated production would be about the same in both quarters.

The April survey's 25 points of "net value" (defined as the difference between higher and lower expectation proportions) may be compared with a similarly-defined seven point difference in January and just two points in October 1977. The net value of production expectations in April last year was 17 points. When the proportion expecting lower production exceeds that expecting it to be higher the net value is expressed as a negative value; this result was reported after the July 1977 survey when the net value was calculated at minus 12.

The level of new orders received was rising in April for 31% of the weighted response and declining for 17%. The net value in this series at 14 points was also much higher than the single point recorded for January when comparable proportions were 24% rising and 23% declining. April 1978 positive results for new orders contrasted sharply with those a year earlier when the net value was minus 2.

While for 65% of the response the backlog of unfilled orders was about the same, just 14% indicated that it was higher than normal and 21% that it was lower than normal. The most notable change from the January results for this question was a nine-point increase in the proportion reporting their backlog was about normal. Virtually all of this came from those who earlier had reported unfilled orders were lower than normal.

The proportion indicating the finished products inventory was too high, at 15% of the response, remained considerably above the 5% declaring stocks were too low. For 80%, the level of finished products inventory was reported to be about right.

Nine percent of the weighted response indicated a shortage of skilled labour constituted an impediment to production, up from 6% in January. There was a small (one percentage point) increase in the proportion declaring that a shortage of supplies and raw materials was creating a difficulty in production. A number of respondents to this question, mostly from western Canada, specified that production was being impeded by a shortage of railway cars. No difficulties or bottlenecks appeared to face about 80% of the manufacturing industry (for the purpose of this question, a lack of demand is not considered to be a production difficulty because other questions treat with orders levels).

Classified by economic use or type of market served by the producers, the results showed higher production expectations in each category. However, only among export-based industries was the net value of unfilled orders positive.

The quarterly survey is conducted by the Shipments, Inventories and Orders Section (613-996-7008), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.
(see table on next page)

Railway Carloadings, March 1978 — Advance Information

Railways in Canada loaded 19.2 million short tons (17.4 million t) of revenue freight in March, down 7.7% from a year earlier. Traffic received from the United States totalled 2.1 million short tons (1.9 million t), a decline of 0.1%.

Commodity loadings showing significant percentage decreases in volume from March 1977 included iron ore (-52.7%) and salt (-42.6%). The sharp drop in iron ore movements resulted primarily from labour problems which closed iron mines in northeastern Quebec. Increased shipments in the latest month were noted for animal and poultry feed, wheat and potash.

In the first quarter of 1978, freight loadings were 0.8% lower than in the January-March period last year and receipts from U.S. connections were down 8.7%. Notable decreases were registered in loadings of salt (-41.3%), potatoes (-34.9%), liquefied gas (-16.4%), and iron ore (-10.9%). Loadings of animal and poultry feed, fruit, grains other than wheat, logs and poles, gypsum and sulphur were all higher in the latest period.

For further information, order the March issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-001, 30¢/\$3) or, for seasonally-adjusted revenue freight loadings, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Business Conditions Survey, Canadian Manufacturing Industries

April 1978

Date	Expected production, next 3 months compared to last 3			New Orders Level			Unfilled Orders Backlog		Finished Product Inventory			Sources of Production Difficulties							
	Higher	Lower	About Same	Rising	Declining	About Same	Higher than Normal	Lower than Normal	About Normal	Too High	Too Low	About Right	Working Capital	Skilled Labour	Unskilled Labour	Raw Materials	Other Difficulties	No Difficulties	
Percentage of weighted response																			
All Manufacturing Industries																			
Apr./77	35	18	47	24	26	50	6	33	61	23	3	74	5	7	1	4	3	83	
July/77	21	33	46	20	27	53	8	33	59	23	4	73	4	8	1	3	3	84	
Oct./77	26	24	50	19	23	59	9	28	63	19	6	75	4	9	1	4	3	82	
Jan./78	29	22	49	24	23	54	15	29	56	18	4	78	3	6	1	4	2	86	
Apr./78	39	14	48	31	17	52	14	21	65	15	5	80	3	9	1	5	5	80	
Large Establishments																			
Apr./77	35	18	47	24	26	50	6	33	61	23	3	74	5	7	1	4	3	83	
July/77	21	33	46	20	27	53	8	33	59	23	4	73	4	8	1	3	3	84	
Oct./77	26	24	50	19	23	59	9	28	63	19	6	75	4	9	1	4	3	83	
Jan./78	29	22	49	24	22	54	15	29	56	18	4	78	3	6	1	4	2	86	
Apr./78	39	14	48	31	17	52	14	21	65	15	4	80	3	9	1	5	5	80	
Small Establishments																			
Apr./77	30	25	45	19	32	49	9	38	54	15	7	78	15	16	2	6	2	67	
July/77	24	27	50	26	29	46	13	34	53	13	9	77	13	18	2	5	1	69	
Oct./77	23	34	43	24	29	47	13	30	57	11	10	79	15	18	2	7	1	66	
Jan./78	21	31	48	21	31	48	10	34	56	13	7	80	13	15	2	6	1	70	
Apr./78	35	17	48	28	26	46	15	28	57	12	8	80	13	16	1	6	1	69	
Durable Consumer Goods																			
Apr./77	32	32	35	21	33	46	8	50	42	51	4	46	12	6	1	3	9	73	
July/77	28	32	41	26	43	32	9	50	41	48	3	49	13	9	1	2	2	76	
Oct./77	31	31	37	31	18	51	20	27	53	38	4	58	12	10	3	2	3	75	
Jan./78	23	43	33	17	36	47	8	40	52	38	2	59	9	10	1	5	2	79	
Apr./78	36	21	43	20	38	42	7	44	50	39	4	57	12	9	1	5	5	73	
Non-Durable Consumer Goods																			
Apr./77	31	15	53	20	21	59	4	22	74	18	3	79	6	8	1	7	3	79	
July/77	28	16	56	19	15	66	4	15	82	21	3	76	3	10	2	6	4	81	
Oct./77	26	25	49	26	14	59	7	15	78	12	5	83	4	9	2	6	1	81	
Jan./78	23	24	52	20	14	66	6	18	75	14	5	81	3	7	1	7	3	82	
Apr./78	38	13	49	22	14	63	5	14	81	12	4	84	2	8	1	9	3	80	
Machinery and Equipment																			
Apr./77	28	35	37	18	44	38	10	51	39	21	3	76	3	10	0	2	2	85	
July/77	27	32	41	30	36	34	15	47	38	24	3	74	6	14	0	1	2	78	
Oct./77	31	18	51	27	32	41	20	41	39	23	9	69	4	15	2	5	2	77	
Jan./78	30	20	50	34	26	41	22	33	44	17	2	81	2	15	0	2	3	79	
Apr./78	36	17	46	38	32	30	20	34	46	14	5	81	6	22	1	5	3	69	
Construction Materials and Supplies																			
Apr./77	30	30	40	22	48	30	4	64	32	22	6	72	8	12	1	2	3	78	
July/77	24	29	47	19	36	45	8	51	41	27	10	62	5	12	1	2	1	82	
Oct./77	20	40	39	17	38	45	8	50	41	17	10	73	5	12	1	3	1	81	
Jan./78	15	41	44	13	42	45	6	47	47	26	9	65	3	7	1	3	1	87	
Apr./78	36	18	46	29	24	47	13	35	52	23	9	68	3	13	1	2	1	81	
Other Intermediate Goods																			
Apr./77	32	17	51	28	25	47	9	24	67	21	4	75	3	7	1	3	4	84	
July/77	16	35	49	23	34	43	10	33	57	17	4	79	2	7	1	1	5	86	
Oct./77	20	26	53	15	22	62	9	22	69	16	8	75	2	8	2	2	5	84	
Jan./78	31	16	53	18	19	63	10	25	65	14	3	84	2	5	1	4	1	89	
Apr./78	41	14	45	47	16	37	17	20	64	14	4	82	3	6	1	2	2	79	

Business Conditions Survey, Canadian Manufacturing Industries

April 1978 (continued)

Date	Expected production, next 3 months compared to last 3			New Orders Level			Unfilled Orders Backlog			Finished Product Inventory			Sources of Production Difficulties					
	Higher	Lower	About Same	Rising	Declining	About Same	Higher than Normal	Lower than Normal	About Normal	Too High	Too Low	About Right	Working Capital	Shortages				
														Skilled Labour	Unskilled Labour	Raw Materials	Other Difficulties	No Difficulties
Percentage of weighted response																		
Export-Based Industries																		
Apr./77	47	9	44	27	14	59	2	30	68	25	2	73	4	3	1	4	2	89
July/77	13	56	31	13	20	68	5	30	65	26	3	72	4	4	0	3	1	91
Oct./77	33	14	53	8	23	69	2	33	65	25	2	73	6	5	0	3	3	85
Jan./78	40	14	46	39	25	36	33	32	34	23	3	75	3	3	0	3	1	91
Apr./78	39	9	52	18	9	73	17	9	74	13	4	83	3	5	0	4	2	87

Note: The survey reflects management's opinion of expected production, current orders and inventory levels, and also current sources of production difficulties. Respondents were asked to allow for normal seasonal fluctuations. Individual replies were weighted by the value of the respondent's shipments as reported to the Census of Manufactures; these weighted replies were then summed and expressed as a percentage of all similarly weighted response to the particular question. Because of rounding and inclusion of reports indicating more than one source of difficulty, category totals may differ from 100%.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended April 29, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended April 29 was 295,742 short tons (268 293 t), a decrease of 4.8% from the preceding week's total of 310,718 short tons (281 879 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was 276,557 short tons (250 888 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 161.4 in the current week, 169.6 a week earlier and 150.9 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Pension Plans in Canada, 1976 (74-401, \$1.40)

Retail Trade, February 1978 (63-005, 55¢/\$5.50)

Shipping Statistics, January 1978 (54-002, 30¢/\$3)

Manufacturers of Electric Wire and Cable, 1976 (43-209, 70¢)

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies (Excluding Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island), January 1978 (35-002, 30¢/\$3)

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, April 1978 (32-009, 30¢/\$3)

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, April 1, 1978 (32-010, 30¢/\$3)

Mineral Wool, March 1978 (44-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Production and Shipments of Floor Tiles, March 1978 (47-001, 15¢/\$1.50)



Advance Estimates of Employees

February 1978

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Number of Employees									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted				
	Feb. 1978f	Jan. 1978p	Dec. 1977r	Nov. 1977r	Feb. 1977	Jan. 1977	Feb. 1978f	Jan. 1978p	Dec. 1977r	Nov. 1977r
	(000's)									
Industry Division										
Forestry	54.9	56.6	61.9	69.8	54.5	53.5	63.0	64.0	68.3	68.6
Mining (including milling)	140.5	141.3	138.4	141.9	136.2	136.5	142.6	143.2	139.8	141.7
Manufacturing	1,737.4	1,736.5	1,732.0	1,782.8	1,716.4	1,719.4	1,781.5	1,784.3	1,773.9	1,780.8
Construction	372.6	372.9	394.1	468.6	397.5	399.4	434.5	436.1	450.8	457.0
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	777.0	773.1	781.3	794.5	768.9	765.8	798.3	793.8	799.5	800.2
Trade	1,417.6	1,422.9	1,458.2	1,464.2	1,372.5	1,380.0	1,447.3	1,440.9	1,428.3	1,436.2
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	486.5	487.7	486.2	489.0	452.3	451.3	489.9	491.2	489.1	490.5
Total Service	2,539.7	2,526.1	2,495.3	2,558.4	2,411.3	2,397.9	2,529.3	2,527.7	2,521.2	2,532.9
Non-commercial Service	1,443.2	1,431.7	1,405.5	1,435.2	1,415.2	1,403.3	1,392.3	1,389.0	1,389.7	1,391.5
Commercial Service	1,096.4	1,094.4	1,089.8	1,123.2	996.1	994.6	1,137.0	1,138.7	1,131.6	1,141.4
Public Administration and Defence(1)	615.6	613.8	612.7	614.3	602.7	593.4	628.5	631.9	630.4	627.4
Total Non-agricultural Industries(2)	8,146.7	8,135.3	8,166.0	8,388.9	7,916.9	7,902.4	8,323.9	8,319.2	8,309.2	8,341.6
Total Non-agricultural Industries										
Newfoundland	123.3	123.8	124.5	130.3	120.1	118.8	131.3	132.2	129.2	129.1
Prince Edward Island	28.2	27.0	27.7	28.4	26.4	26.4	30.9	29.4	28.9	28.4
Nova Scotia	232.8	233.1	237.6	246.6	231.6	231.6	241.0	241.9	243.0	245.6
New Brunswick	178.3	179.8	183.6	192.0	177.3	176.5	189.6	190.6	191.7	192.9
Quebec	2,068.1	2,068.6	2,073.0	2,143.8	2,041.6	2,043.7	2,104.4	2,106.7	2,108.2	2,122.8
Ontario	3,300.4	3,294.7	3,302.3	3,378.1	3,176.7	3,181.2	3,367.1	3,362.3	3,359.3	3,363.7
Manitoba	337.2	337.0	338.3	350.6	335.6	335.5	345.3	344.1	343.7	348.1
Saskatchewan	245.2	248.4	251.0	255.7	244.4	243.6	250.5	253.7	253.9	254.3
Alberta	715.6	717.4	718.4	729.8	679.0	671.0	730.9	732.7	727.6	725.9
British Columbia	891.5	880.1	882.2	906.4	858.8	848.4	901.6	896.6	893.0	901.7
Canada(3)	8,146.7	8,135.3	8,166.0	8,388.9	7,916.9	7,902.4	8,323.9	8,319.2	8,309.2	8,341.6

f first estimate based on a limited number of returns

p preliminary figures

r revised figures

(1) Excludes military personnel

(2) Includes Fishing and Trapping

(3) Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories

Estimates of Employees, February 1978 — Advance Information

Monthly estimates of employment by province and industry for the period 1961 to 1974 have already been published in catalogue 72-514. Revised and updated data from January 1961 to December 1976 inclusive will be included in an historical publication to be released in the near future.

Monthly summary data is released on a regular basis in the Statistics Canada Daily, while detailed monthly information is published in catalogue 72-008, *Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry*.

Data from 1961 to 1976 are available on request from Mr. G. Mahoney (613-992-3868), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

Asbestos, March 1978 — Advance Information

Producers' shipments of asbestos decreased to 136,485 short tons in March from 155,866 short tons in March 1977. This brought year-to-date shipments to 340,019 short tons in 1978 from 398,000 short tons in 1977.

For further information, order the March issue of *Asbestos* (26-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

April 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	Apr. 28/78 This week	Apr. 21/78 Week ago	Mar. 31/78 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	104.7	105.0	101.1
Industrials	85	98.5	99.1	95.0
Foods	9	109.4	108.4	107.5
Alcoholic beverages	5	90.3	90.4	89.9
Textiles and clothing	3	138.1	138.9	129.7
Pulp and paper	7	138.2	135.8	126.2
Printing and publishing	5	104.4	105.3	103.5
Primary metals	4	107.8	107.3	102.7
Industrial mines	6	71.3	71.4	67.4
Metal fabricating	9	172.6	171.9	159.2
Non-metallic minerals	4	101.8	102.0	100.7
Petroleum	8	100.4	104.2	101.1
Chemicals	5	110.5	110.8	105.6
Construction	5	278.0	277.8	273.4
Trade	15	86.9	86.1	83.1
Utilities and services	28	107.3	107.0	104.1
Transportation	6	136.6	134.9	128.5
Pipelines	5	91.0	90.8	88.6
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	121.5	119.2	118.0
Telephone	4	111.4	111.2	109.2
Electric power	3	140.1	140.4	139.3
Gas distribution	5	87.5	88.8	86.2
Finances	21	131.5	131.3	127.1
Banks	8	132.4	132.9	127.7
Investment and loan	9	124.1	121.9	121.1
Insurance	4	155.8	155.9	149.6
Mining Index	17	116.8	117.1	121.4
Gold	9	250.2	252.2	267.9
Base metals	8	52.8	52.3	51.2
Uraniums	2	220.1	221.4	203.7
Primary oils and gas index	5	134.2	139.6	139.3

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, March 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary statistics for March show that 1.7 million United States visitors entered Canada, up 6.3% from March 1977. Canadian residents returning from the U.S. numbered 3.1 million, an increase of 5.9% over last year. Visitors entering Canada from countries other than the U.S. totalled 58,600, up 13.9% from last March, while Canadian travellers returning from these countries rose 7.8% to 206,500.

It should be noted that the March 1978 figures reflect Easter traffic whereas in 1977 the holiday occurred in April.

For further information, order the March issue of *International Travel — Advance Information* (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. M.W. Valiquette (613-995-0847), International Travel Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, March 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of refrigerators were 39,271 in March compared to 42,133 a year earlier, while month-end stocks at 99,779 increased

from 95,787. Domestic sales of home and farm freezers decreased to 16,933 from 17,824, and month-end stocks decreased to 58,499 from 62,158.

For further information, order the March issue of *Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers* (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Salt, March 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian shipments of salt and salt content of brine decreased to 412,689 short tons in March from 513,772 short tons a year earlier. This brought the three-months output to 1,921,740 short tons in 1978 from 1,944,629 short tons in 1977.

For further information, order the March issue of *Salt* (26-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending April 21

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	1,872,353	2,318,758	4,191,111
Short tons, 1977	2,870,023	2,136,350	5,006,373
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 698 570	2 103 542	3 802 112
Metric tonnes, 1977	2 603 641	1 938 064	4 541 705
% change	-34.8	8.5	-16.3
Cars, 1978	34,612	34,814	69,426
Cars, 1977	45,502	32,679	78,181
% change	-23.9	6.5	-11.2
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	171,635	61,675	233,310
Short tons, 1977	168,291	62,193	230,484
Metric tonnes, 1978	155 705	55 951	211 656
Metric tonnes, 1977	152 671	56 421	209 092
% change	2.0	-0.8	1.2
Cars, 1978	5,177	2,490	7,667
Cars, 1977	5,143	3,032	8,175
% change	0.7	-17.9	-6.2
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	34,820,986	32,992,033	67,813,013
Short tons, 1977	36,827,954	32,042,443	68,870,397
Metric tonnes, 1978	31 589 062	29 929 869	61 518 931
Metric tonnes, 1977	33 406 758	29 068 415	62 478 173
% change	-5.4	3.0	-1.5
Cars, 1978	564,285	495,990	1,084,275
Cars, 1977	641,689	485,242	1,096,931
% change	-11.3	2.2	-1.2
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	2,462,754	938,244	3,563,998
Short tons, 1977	2,471,222	891,440	3,362,664
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 238 04	851 171	3 233 205
Metric tonnes, 1977	2 241 87	808 701	3 050 558
% change	3.3	5.3	6.0
Cars, 1978	78,752	37,768	116,520
Cars, 1977	75,248	38,672	113,920
% change	4.7	-2.3	2.3

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1977 figures have been revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended April 21, 1978 —
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The volume of revenue freight loaded in the above seven days totalled 3.8 million t (4.2 million short tons), a decline of 16.3% from the third week of April 1977. Loadings in the East dropped 34.8% due to labour stoppages at iron mines in the Quebec-Newfoundland region; traffic west of the Lakehead was up 8.5%. Cars loaded in the current period numbered 69,426, down 11.2% from last year.

Trailer-container (piggyback) movements rose 1.2% in Canada with the East recording a gain of 2.0% and the West a loss of 0.8%.

From January 1 to April 21, 1978, rail freight loadings at 61.5 million t (67.8 million short tons) were down 1.5% from 1977. The corresponding carload count was off by 1.2%, while cumulative piggyback loadings registered a 6.0% gain.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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- Preliminary Unemployment Insurance Statistics, January 1978** (73-001P, N/C)
- Labour Costs in Canada, All Industries, 1976** (72-618, \$2.10)
- Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry, January 1978** (72-008, 40¢/\$4)
- Supplementary Bulletins: Geographic and Demographic — Specified Age Groups, 1976 Census of Canada** (92-835, \$4.25)
- Office Furniture Manufacturers, 1976** (35-212, 70¢)
- Grain Milling Statistics, February 1978** (32-003, 30¢/\$3)

Import and Export Price and Volume Indexes, February 1978 — Advance Information

Import and export prices as measured by fixed-weighted price indexes both increased significantly in February for the second consecutive month. Import prices increased 1.5% following a 1.0% rise in January and export prices increased 2.2% after being up 1.5% in January. Because of weight shifts, however, the current-weighted import price index increased by a moderate 0.7%, while the current-weighted export index declined.

Export volume for January and February averaged 2.4% higher than the fourth quarter of 1977. There was virtually no change in import volume over the same period.

It should be noted that trading day adjustment factors used to calculate seasonally-adjusted volume series have been modified to compensate for recently introduced changes in data collection procedures.

For further information, order the March issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural), March 1978 — Published Only In Statistics Canada Daily

The accompanying table contains statistics on passenger bus carriers earning \$500,000 or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations. Cumulative data for the year serves as preliminary information on a significant portion of the industry until definitive annual statistics are available. Figures have been added showing total distance run and fuel consumed, using the International System of Units. This is the most modern version of the metric system, supported by the International Bureau of Weights and Measures. It is the system of units which Canada is adopting.

The following observations apply to the data in this release:

- Data relating to other services such as charter or contract are specific to the surveyed passenger bus carriers and are not indicative of over-all charter and contract operations;
- Passengers paying a fare to the operator of one vehicle and travelling on a second or third vehicle on a transfer are counted for the first vehicle only;
- Total distance run in a revenue service includes distance run empty which was necessary to provide the revenue service.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-996-9271), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Urban Transit, March 1978 — Advance Information

In March, 56 urban transit systems collected 107,859,763 initial passenger fares. The total distance run was 32,425,921 miles (52 184 461 km), and their operating revenues amounted to \$37,743,481.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-996-9271), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6 or order the March issue of *Urban Transit* (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50).

Import and Export Price and Volume Indexes

Price Indexes Weighted with Current Period Quantities
Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation
(1971=100)

	Imports	Exports
1975 Annual	157.4	173.1
1976 Annual	158.2	177.5
1977 Annual	174.2	188.7
1976		
III Quarter	158.9	178.6
IV Quarter	158.1	177.7
1977		
I Quarter	168.8	183.6
II Quarter	173.8	186.7
III Quarter	181.5	192.6
IV Quarter	184.3	192.4
1977		
September	178.6	190.7
October	182.4	191.4
November	184.0	192.2
December	187.0	193.1
1978		
January	192.3	200.0
February	193.7	196.8

Volume Indexes Weighted with 1971 Prices Seasonally Adjusted (1971=100)

	Imports	Exports
1975 Annual	141.1	107.8
1976 Annual	151.7	119.8
1977 Annual	154.7	130.8
1976		
III Quarter	151.2	123.4
IV Quarter	152.1	119.2
1977		
I Quarter	154.8	132.9
II Quarter	157.3	129.3
III Quarter	149.7	129.5
IV Quarter	149.3	134.8
1977		
September	151.1	124.5
October	152.0	139.6
November	153.0	129.4
December	143.2	136.5
1978		
January	138.5	129.6
February	159.2	146.4

Radio Broadcasting, January 1978 — Advance Information

Gross national AM and FM radio air-time sales were \$4.9 million in January, an increase of 11.4% from \$4.4 million in January 1977. Agency and other commissions reduced gross national sales to \$4.2 million, up 13.5% from \$3.7 million the previous year.

Net local air-time sales rose 13.7% to \$14.1 million in January from \$12.4 million a year earlier.

For further information, order the January issue of *Radio Broadcasting* (56-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact P.T. Crosby (613-996-9274), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural)

		1977		1978	
		Year-to-Date	March	Year-to-Date	March
Carriers Reporting*		19	19	20	20
Revenue Earned					
Intercity & Rural Services	\$	27,004,686r*	9,898,134r*	30,546,944	11,109,100
Urban-Suburban Services	\$	93,455r	33,637r	76,263	27,145
Other Services (e.g. charter)	\$	4,207,417r	1,879,437r	10,329,998	3,903,397
Fare Passengers Carried					
Intercity & Rural Services	No.	7,350,954*	2,798,716*	7,867,117	2,826,660
Urban-Suburban Services	No.	172,014	60,030	182,838	65,010
Other Services (e.g. charter)	No.	**	**	**	**
Total Distance Run					
Intercity & Rural Services	miles:	27,104,403r*	9,606,346r*	27,430,084	9,646,321
	km:	43 620 309r*	15 459 916r*	44 144 441	15 524 249
Urban-Suburban Services	miles:	90,740	26,803	96,415	33,457
	km:	146 031	43 135	155 165	53 844
Other Services (e.g. charter)	miles:	3,017,650r	1,285,032	8,735,191	3,075,379
	km:	4 856 437r	2 068 058	14 057 927	4 949 342
Fuel Consumed					
Diesel Oil	gal.:	4,541,122r	1,621,587r	4,705,735	1,664,169
	litres:	20 644 349r	7 371 880r	21 392 695	7 565 462
Gasoline	gal.:	25,205r	11,782r	951,614	281,365
	litres:	114 584r	53 562r	4 326 123	1 279 110

* Includes charter operations of one intercity bus company.

** The number of fare passengers carried for "Other Services" are not kept by all carriers.

r Revised figures.

New Motor Vehicle Sales, March 1978 — Advance Information

New motor vehicles sold in March totalled 121,294 units, down 5.6% from a year earlier. This included 71,595 passenger cars (down 6.4%) and 31,663 commercial vehicles (down 4.1%) manufactured in Canada and the U.S., and 16,831 passenger cars (down 4.5%) and 1,205 commercial vehicles (down 11.7%) manufactured overseas.

Total sales value increased 2.9% to \$830.6 million. Canadian and U.S. passenger cars sold for \$462.0 million (down 0.2%) and commercial vehicles for \$268.0 million (up 5.2%). Sales of passenger cars from overseas increased 12.5% to \$94.1 million and those of commercial vehicles increased 1.3% to \$6.6 million. Included in total commercial vehicles sold were 249 units of coaches and buses valued at \$7.9 million.

Seasonally-adjusted March sales of passenger cars manufactured in Canada and the U.S. decreased 6.3% from February to 67,586 units and those of passenger cars from overseas decreased 5.4% to 16,348 units. Similarly-adjusted sales of all commercial vehicles were down 0.3% to 29,449 units.

For the first three months of 1978, total sales reached 302,015 units (319,677 in 1977), with an accumulated value of \$2,066.5 million. This represented an increase of 2.5% in value over sales for January-March 1977.

For further information, order the March issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, 30¢/\$3), or contact M. Kwilecki (613-996-9304), Retail Trade Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Railway Freight Traffic, Fourth Quarter 1977 — Advance Information

Canadian railways hauled 66.8 million short tons (60.6 million t) of revenue freight in the October-December period of 1977, a decrease of 0.6% from the corresponding 1976 quarter.

Decreases in traffic were recorded in all but two of the seven commodity groups under which rail freight is

reported. Only fabricated materials and non-carload freight registered gains over the preceding year.

Loadings in Canada (excluding receipts from Canadian and United States connections) declined 0.3% to 61.6 million short tons (55.9 million t). Traffic losses occurred in Quebec and the four western provinces while gains were recorded in the Maritimes and The Territories. Traffic received from U.S. connections in the fourth quarter of 1977 was down 4.8%.

In the year 1977, railways in Canada carried a total of 272.2 million short tons (247.0 million t) of revenue freight, an increase of 3.6% over 1976. Year-over-year comparisons of quarterly data show that volume rose 5.6% in the first three months; 8.0% in the second quarter; 1.6% in the July-September period; and decreased 0.6% in the final three months of 1977.

For further information, order the fourth quarter issue of *Railway Freight Traffic* (52-002, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Oil Pipeline Transport, January 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian oil pipe lines received 2,459,500 barrels per day (390 839 m3D) of crude oil, condensate, pentanes plus and refined petroleum product in January, down 2.0% from the 2,510,000 B/D (398 864 m3D) received in January 1977. Receipts of domestic petroleum and products decreased 2.7% to 2,110,200 B/D (335 332 m3D), while imported petroleum and products receipts increased 2.4% to 349,300 B/D (55 507 m3D).

For further information, order the January issue of *Oil Pipe Line Transport* (55-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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(93-806, \$2.25)

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Motor Vehicle Shipments, March 1978 (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Industry Price Indexes, December 1977 (62-011, 55¢/\$5.50)

Non-Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes

March 1978 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Mar. 1977	% Change	
				Mar./78 Feb./78	Mar./78 Mar./77
Total Index	186.5	185.6	173.6	0.5	7.4
Materials	173.5	171.8	162.1	1.0	7.0
Steel and Metal Work	177.8	174.2	171.0	2.1	4.0
Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning	159.7	159.6	149.4	0.1	6.9
Electrical Equipment	160.8	160.1	151.2	0.4	6.3
Concrete Products	202.3	199.2	187.5	1.6	7.9
Lumber and Lumber Products	213.2	206.7	172.0	3.1	24.0
Other	168.4	168.3	159.0	0.1	5.9
Labour	201.0	201.0	186.3	—	7.9

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mrs. G. John (613-994-5807), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Union Wage Rate Indexes including selected pay supplements are now available for March 1978.

Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing

(1971=100)

	Relative Importance(1)	Index		Percent Change		Percent Contribution to Total Change	
		Mar.* 1978	Feb.* 1978	Mar. 1977	Mar./78 Feb./78	Mar./78 Mar./77	Mar./78 Feb./78
Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing	100.0	182.6	181.7	171.0	0.5	6.8	100.0
SIC Major Groups:							
1. Food and Beverage Industries	19.9	197.1	195.5	181.2	0.8	8.8	36.2
2. Tobacco Products Industries	1.1	147.3	146.5	137.6	0.5	7.0	1.0
3. Rubber and Plastics Products Industries	2.5	153.8	153.3	146.3	0.3	5.1	1.4
4. Leather Industries	0.9	182.1	181.4	171.3	0.4	6.3	0.7
5. Textile Industries	3.5	155.1	155.0	148.2	0.1	4.7	0.4
6. Knitting Mills	0.9	136.4	136.6	130.7	-0.1	4.4	-0.2
8. Wood Industries	4.7	214.6	211.9	180.4	1.3	19.0	14.6
9. Furniture and Fixture Industries	1.6	179.0	178.4	171.1	0.3	4.6	1.1
10. Paper and Allied Industries	8.2	195.1	194.6	192.0	0.3	1.6	4.7
12. Primary Metal Industries	8.4	198.8	197.8	189.1	0.5	5.1	9.5
13. Metal Fabricating Industries	7.5	179.4	178.8	167.8	0.3	6.9	5.1
14. Machinery Industries	4.4	164.8	164.5	156.4	0.2	5.4	1.5
16. Electrical Products Industries	6.8	153.3	152.8	143.9	0.3	6.5	3.9
17. Non-Metallic Mineral Products Industries	3.2	190.1	189.1	176.3	0.5	7.8	3.6
18. Petroleum and Coal Products Industries	4.2	237.1	237.1	237.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
19. Chemical and Chemical Products Industries	6.6	185.0	184.4	173.1	0.3	6.9	4.5
Other Major Groups(2)	15.6	157.3	156.6	145.6	0.4	8.0	12.0

* These indexes are preliminary.

(1) Group weights are based on 1971 value of shipments (Census of Manufacturers, 1971).

(2) Included are the following major groups: 7. Clothing Industries, 15. Transportation Equipment Industries, 20. Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries.

Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing (1971=100), March 1978 — Advance Information

The Industry Selling Price Index for manufacturing rose 0.5% to 182.6 in March from 181.7 (revised) in February and was 6.8% higher than in March 1977 when it stood at 171.0. The major groups influencing the total index most in March were food and beverage industries and wood industries.

The food and beverage industries index rose 0.8% in March, due mainly to price increases of 1.2% for

slaughtering and meat processing, 3.8% for the feeds industry and 15.5% for vegetable oil mills.

The index for wood industries rose 1.3%, reflecting increases of 1.2% for sawmills and planing mills and 3.0% for veneer and plywood mills.

Wholesale Price Indexes

(1935-39=100)

	% Change					
	Mar. 1978*	Feb. 1978*	Mar. 1977	Feb. 1977	Mar./78 Feb./78	Mar./78 Mar./77
General wholesale index	587.7	586.7	555.0	541.1	0.2	5.9
Vegetable products	491.8	491.3	510.8	481.5	0.1	-3.7
Animal products	636.0	641.2	553.7	550.1	-0.8	14.9
Textile products	488.1	485.4	473.2	470.7	0.6	3.2
Wood products	856.1	852.7	774.7	752.8	0.4	10.5
Iron products	623.6	621.1	587.7	584.2	0.4	6.1
Non-ferrous metals including gold	514.7	509.6	502.3	480.9	1.0	2.5
Non-metallic minerals	498.6	497.9	458.4	454.6	0.1	8.8
Chemical products	424.4	422.2	405.4	401.0	0.5	4.7
Summary indexes						
Iron products and non-ferrous metals excluding gold	677.0	672.9	651.1	636.3	0.6	4.0
Raw and partly manufactured goods	537.7	536.5	532.3	507.7	0.2	1.0
Fully and chiefly manufactured goods	614.5	613.5	566.6	558.6	0.1	8.5

*These indexes are preliminary.

General Wholesale Price Index (1935-39=100), March 1978 — Advance Information

The General Wholesale Index rose 0.2% to 587.7 in March from its revised February level of 586.7. The index was 5.9% higher than in March 1977 when it stood at 555.0. The major groups having the strongest effect on the total index in March were animal products (the only group to decline), wood products, non-ferrous metals, iron products and textile products.

A decrease of 0.8% in the animal products index was due mainly to a decline of 6.8% in the index for fresh meats.

Wood products rose 0.4% in March, due largely to price increases of 1.1% for fir and 0.9% for cedar. An increase of 7.8% for silver contributed to a rise of 1.0% in the non-ferrous metals index. The iron products group registered an increase of 0.4% attributable mainly to a rise of 0.6% for rolling mill products. An increase of 0.6% in the textile products index reflected a 3.8% increase for raw cotton.

Railway Transport Statistics, 1977 — Advance Information

Selected annual statistics relative to 1977 are presently available.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Operating Statistics, December 1977 — Advance Information

Data for December 1977 have been necessarily delayed waiting for Canadian National's year-end results to be tabled in the House of Commons. Data now available show combined net income of the six major railways in Canada as \$12.1 million in December compared to \$25.2 million in December 1976. Total operating revenues increased 10.0% to \$290.9 million, while operating expenses were 16.5% higher at \$278.8 million.

Freight ton-miles for the final month of 1977 totalled 9,699.2 million, a decline of 1.1% from a year earlier. Freight train-miles and freight car-miles were also down, dropping 4.3% and 2.2%, respectively. Passenger-miles were 0.6% above the December 1976 level.

Twelve-month figures for the six railways show an 11.1% gain in 1977 operating revenues to \$3,398.7 million; an increase of 8.9% in expenses to \$3,186.2 million; and an improvement of 61.4% in net income to \$212.5 million. Canadian National reported net operating income of \$121.1 million in 1977, up from \$56.1 million the previous year. CN's results show that while operating revenues increased 10.2% in 1977, operating expenses were held to a 6.7% rise. Canadian Pacific netted \$94.8 million from railway operations in 1977 compared to \$87.8 million in 1976.

Ton-miles generated by all six lines in 1977 were up 3.9%, while passenger-miles increased by 0.2%.

For further information, order the December issue of *Railway Operating Statistics* (52-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Iron Ore, March 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian mines shipped 1,318,433 short tons of iron ore in March compared to 1,476,892 short tons a year earlier. This brought year-to-date shipments to 4,859,305 short tons in 1978 from 5,365,108 short tons in 1977.

For further information, order the March issue of *Iron Ore* (26-005, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, March 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of automatic washing machines were 29,258 units in March, up from 29,145 in March 1977. Conventional washing machine sales rose to 5,247 units from 4,575. Canadian sales of electric clothes dryers were 23,969 units compared to 24,464 a year earlier. Gas dryer sales on the domestic market increased to 844 units from 733.

For further information, order the March issue of *Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers* (43-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Wool Production and Supply, 1977 — Advance Information

Wool production in Canada in 1977 is estimated at 2,068,900 pounds. Imports of wool at 35,321,000 pounds decreased by 3% from 1976. Exports at 903,000 pounds decreased 9% from the previous year.

For further information, order *Wool Production and Supply, 1977* (23-205, 35¢), or contact Elizabeth A. Leckie (613-994-9964), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Production of Poultry and Eggs, 1977 — Advance Information

Advance information from the forthcoming publication (23-202, 70¢) is now available. For further details, contact John H. Dickson or R.G. Fontaine (613-994-9964), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Production of Eggs and Poultry, March 1978 — Advance Information

Egg production in Canada at 39.9 million dozen in March was unchanged from year earlier. The average number of layers was down 3.4% to 23.5 million from 24.3 million while the number of eggs per 100 layers increased 1.4% to 1,997 from 1,970. Farm price of eggs sold for market decreased 5.1% to 63.2 cents a dozen from 66.6¢ a dozen in March 1977.

For further information, order the March issue of *Production of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact J.H. Dickson (613-994-9964), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Telephone Statistics, March 1978 — Advance Information

Canada's 13 major telephone systems reported monthly revenues of \$347.5 million in March, up 16.4% from a year earlier. Operating expenses were \$251.0 million, an increase of 15.5%. Net operating revenue at \$96.5 million showed an increase of 18.9% over March 1977. Telephone toll messages increased 6.5% to 86.6 million.

For further information, order the March issue of *Telephone Statistics* (56-002, \$1.50 a year), or contact Patrick Crosby (613-996-9274), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather, March 1978 — Advance Information

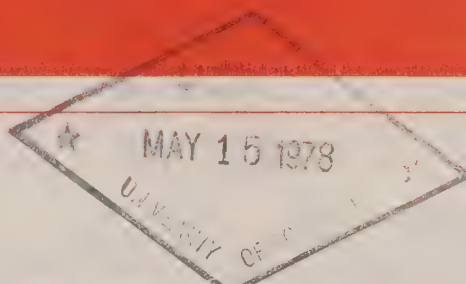
In March, packers, dealers and tanners held 257,457 cattle hides, down from 287,504 a year earlier. Cattle hide receipts increased to 177,279 from 120,114 and wettings increased to 193,294 from 176,201.

For further information, order the March issue of *Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather* (33-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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- Railway Transport, Part VI, Employment Statistics, 1976 (52-212, 70¢)**
- Carpet, Mat and Rug Industry, 1976 (34-221, 70¢)**
- Wool Yarn and Cloth Mills, 1976 (34-209, 70¢)**
- Cotton Yarn and Cloth Mills, 1976 (34-205, 70¢)**
- Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, April 1978 (32-012, 30¢/\$3)**

Housing Starts, in Centres of 10,000 Population and Over (Dwelling Units)

1st Quarter

	1977					1978				
	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total
Newfoundland	224	25	24	32	305	146	22	10	31	209
Prince Edward Island	33	2	—	—	35	193	8	24	12	237
Nova Scotia	440	26	94	127	687	503	16	18	369	906
New Brunswick	136	2	—	68	206	478	9	—	80	567
Quebec	4,333	243	125	5,541	10,242	2,785	284	81	5,893	9,043
Ontario	2,753	1,405	1,658	3,667	9,483	3,055	1,468	1,196	5,572	11,291
Manitoba	576	263	150	1,046	2,035	584	403	503	2,365	3,855
Saskatchewan	1,059	54	156	533	1,802	656	218	16	1,209	2,099
Alberta	2,030	274	775	1,365	4,444	3,518	1,124	2,453	5,130	12,225
British Columbia	2,567	343	723	2,602	6,235	2,425	465	616	3,259	6,765
Canada Unadjusted	14,151	2,637	3,705	14,981	35,474	14,343	4,017	4,917	23,920	47,197
					All types 233.7					
Canada, adjusted annual rate (000's)										
										All types 306.9

For further information, order the March 1978 issue of *Housing Starts and Completions* (64-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact J.P. Déglise (613-994-9527), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Housing Starts, in Centres of 10,000 Population and Over (Dwelling Units)

March 1978

	1977					1978				
	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total
Newfoundland	36	6	—	32	74	7	12	—	—	19
Prince Edward Island	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Nova Scotia	87	10	—	—	97	74	4	1	125	204
New Brunswick	12	—	—	28	40	30	—	—	24	54
Quebec	937	57	10	1,540	2,544	892	104	6	2,067	3,069
Ontario	677	586	365	1,133	2,761	706	400	305	2,124	3,535
Manitoba	209	124	57	662	1,052	159	194	27	747	1,127
Saskatchewan	234	2	30	319	585	161	76	—	249	486
Alberta	542	98	209	390	1,239	922	290	741	1,416	3,369
British Columbia	672	72	146	333	1,223	674	144	175	925	1,918
Canada Unadjusted	3,407	955	817	4,437	9,616	3,625	1,224	1,255	7,677	13,781
Canada, adjusted annual rate (000's)	56.5		103.6		160.1	62.8		183.8		246.6
Canada Cumulative	10,228	2,502	3,408	13,942	30,080	10,238	3,718	4,505	22,039	40,500
Newfoundland	98	20	—	32	150	43	22	10	31	106
Prince Edward Island	7	2	—	—	9	9	—	—	—	9
Nova Scotia	300	26	94	73	493	296	16	18	330	660
New Brunswick	45	2	—	58	105	107	4	—	40	151
Quebec	3,411	243	105	5,414	9,173	2,253	279	65	5,651	8,248
Ontario	1,934	1,363	1,636	3,417	8,350	2,139	1,412	1,196	5,343	10,090
Manitoba	490	263	94	904	1,751	463	403	447	2,301	3,614
Saskatchewan	660	30	124	513	1,327	464	158	16	1,149	1,787
Alberta	1,319	234	697	1,117	3,367	2,516	968	2,169	4,314	9,967
British Columbia	1,964	319	658	2,414	5,355	1,948	456	584	2,880	5,868

For further information, order the March issue of *Housing Starts and Completions* (64-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact J.P. Déglise (613-994-9527), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, February 1978 — Advance Information

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 1,028.6 million feet board measure (2 427 300 m³) of lumber and ties in February compared to 1,014.0 million feet board measure (2 392 800 m³) a year earlier.

January to February production increased to 2,048.0 million feet board measure (4 832 700 m³) in 1978 from 2,024.4 million feet board measure (4 777 100 m³) in 1977.

For further information, order the February issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

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Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, January-March 1978 — Advance Information

Sales of farm implements and equipment (including repair parts) for January to March 1978 were valued at \$193.0 million, a decrease of 3.0% from the January to March 1977 figure of \$199.0 million.

Repair parts for the latest period had a value of \$39.1 million compared with \$35.3 million in 1977.

For further information, order the March issue of *Farm Implement and Equipment Sales* (63-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact the Merchandising and Services Division (613-996-9307), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Radio and Television Receiving Sets, March 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of "Made in Canada" colour television sets were 12,044 sets in March, down from 22,980 a year earlier.

For further information, order the March issue of *Radio and Television Receiving Sets* (43-004, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

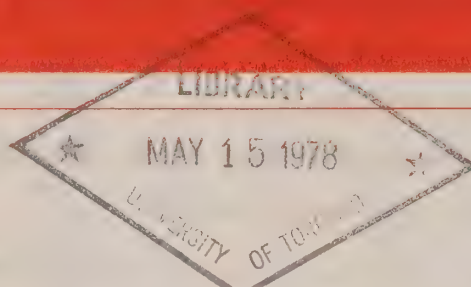
Sugar Sales, April 1978 — Advance Information

For April, Canadian sugar refineries reported total sales of 83 589 253 kilograms (184,282,786 lbs.) of all types of sugar. Domestic sales totalled 76 530 352 kilograms (168,720,570 lbs.) while export sales amounted to 7 058 901 kilograms (15,562,216 lbs.).

For further information, contact Mr. T. P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Imports by Commodities

Full details on commodity-country import trade for February are now available either on microfiche or by telephone in advance of the regular publication, *Imports by Commodities* (65-007, 80¢/\$8). Direct information requests to G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Employment, Earnings and Hours, January 1978 (72-002, 70¢/\$7)

Electric Power Statistics, Volume III, 1976 (57-206, \$2.10)

Electric Power Statistics, February 1978 (57-001, 30¢/\$3)

Department Store Sales by Regions, March 1978 (63-004, \$1.50 a year)

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, January 1978 (35-003, 30¢/\$3)

(continued)

Veneer and Plywood Mills, 1976 (35-206, 70¢)

Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, March 1978 (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Domestic and Farm Water Systems, March 1978 (41-015, 15¢/\$1.50)

Oil Filters and Cartridges, March 1978 (41-016, 15¢/\$1.50)

Oil Burners and Oil-fired Hot Water Heaters, March 1978 (41-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

Restaurant Statistics, March 1978 (63-011, 15¢/\$1.50)

Salt, March 1978 (26-009, 15¢/\$1.50)

International Travel — Advance Information, March 1978 (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Gypsum Products, March 1978 (44-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Mobility Status, 1976 Census of Canada — Advance Information

Mobility status data from the 1976 Census of Canada show that 51.5% of the population five years of age and over occupied the same dwelling of residence as they did five years earlier, while 48.5% resided in different dwellings. Comparable figures from the 1971 Census were 52.6% and 47.4%.

Movers who were classified as non-migrants (i.e. they did not cross a municipal boundary when moving) constituted 23.5% of the population five years and over, exactly the same proportion as in 1971. Migrants (those who did cross a municipal boundary when moving) made up 25.1% of the population, up from 23.9% in 1971. Most migrants moved within the same province. The proportion migrating from one province to another remained at 4.3%, even though there was an increase of more than 63,000 in absolute numbers from the previous census count, to a total of 915,000.

Five provinces showed net migration gains in 1976 compared with only three in 1971. The Maritime Provinces, traditional losers in net migration, recorded gains, while Ontario, a traditional gainer, recorded a substantial loss. Alberta and British Columbia maintained their large gains in net migration.

More information on the mobility status of Canadians from the 1976 Census will appear in *Mobility Status* (catalogue 92-828), to be published later this year.

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Stoves and Ranges, March 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of electric stoves and ranges in March decreased 7.8% to 30,665 units from 33,270 in March 1977. Closing inventory of these products fell 14.8% to 78,112 units from 91,660 a year earlier.

For further information, order the March issue of *Stoves and Furnaces* (41-005, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Industrial Chemicals, March 1978 — Advance Information

Manufacturers shipped 78,953,028 pounds (35 358 899 kg) of polyethylene-type synthetic resins in March compared to 73,354,536 pounds (33 273 058 kg) in March 1977.

For further information, order the March issue of *Specified Chemicals* (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Department Store Sales by Regions, March 1978

Department store sales rose to \$529.7 million in March, an increase of 10.4% from a year earlier. Sales were up in all regions of Canada.

Department store sales by regions for the latest month, with percentage gains over March 1977 in brackets:

- Ontario, \$194.8 million (12.2%).
- Quebec, \$96.8 million (2.0%).
- British Columbia, \$85.6 million (14.7%).
- Alberta, \$72.6 million (12.5%).
- Manitoba, \$32.1 million (9.5%).
- Atlantic Provinces, \$31.7 million (11.2%).
- Saskatchewan, \$16.1 million (13.7%).

For further information, order the March issue of *Department Store Sales by Regions* (63-004, \$1.50 a year).

Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers, March 1978 — Advance Information

Producers' trade and industrial sales of paints, varnishes and lacquers totalled \$43,996,510 in March compared to a revised \$40,300,843 a year earlier.

For further information, order the March issue of *Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers* (46-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Migrants 5 Years and Over by Province of Residence in 1976, Showing Province of Residence in 1971

1976 Census

Residence in 1976	Migrant Population 5 Years and Over	From Same Province	From Different Province						
			Total	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.
Canada	5,324,025	3,493,810	915,120	26,845	9,175	50,380	37,570	139,480	256,400
Newfoundland	84,905	57,725	19,965	—	345	3,185	1,320	1,735	11,685
Prince Edward Island	26,820	12,720	11,560	415	—	2,220	1,775	850	4,840
Nova Scotia	166,010	91,385	55,775	4,360	2,420	—	8,170	6,430	25,430
New Brunswick	135,870	70,495	46,880	2,270	1,415	8,975	—	10,005	19,180
Quebec	1,256,650	1,019,305	79,680	2,150	390	3,665	6,550	—	54,120
Ontario	1,929,155	1,299,280	203,895	11,965	2,465	18,420	11,660	87,465	—
Manitoba	190,825	96,360	57,165	1,375	340	1,825	1,255	3,925	21,475
Saskatchewan	199,955	130,050	52,555	310	125	845	640	1,645	10,155
Alberta	508,785	252,725	175,045	1,600	995	5,065	2,885	9,945	45,175
British Columbia	803,115	459,515	197,365	1,990	625	5,810	3,115	16,695	61,520
Yukon	8,600	1,280	6,310	165	10	120	40	200	1,000
Northwest Territories	13,335	2,975	8,925	240	45	255	155	590	1,825

Residence in 1976	From Different Province						From Outside Canada	Residence in 1971 Not Stated
	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Yukon	N.W.T.		
Canada	83,765	82,700	113,185	101,480	5,905	8,215	719,675	195,425
Newfoundland	390	180	465	540	25	95	4,180	3,040
Prince Edward Island	395	140	455	445	15	10	1,695	850
Nova Scotia	1,905	730	2,570	3,595	50	115	12,535	6,315
New Brunswick	1,050	585	1,695	1,610	20	75	13,220	5,280
Quebec	2,970	1,015	3,160	5,185	120	360	108,200	49,465
Ontario	21,280	8,315	17,315	23,455	475	1,085	363,615	62,360
Manitoba	—	11,000	7,360	7,980	195	425	28,265	9,035
Saskatchewan	12,535	—	15,605	9,620	260	825	9,885	7,460
Alberta	21,830	37,725	—	45,060	1,590	3,180	61,895	19,110
British Columbia	20,175	21,780	60,915	—	2,975	1,755	114,670	31,565
Yukon	320	395	1,165	2,595	—	300	685	325
Northwest Territories	920	830	2,485	1,400	180	—	835	605

Net Internal Migration by Province

1966-1971 and 1971-1976

	1966-1971			1971-1976		
	In-migration	Out-migration	Net-migration	In-migration	Out-migration	Net-migration
Newfoundland	13,585	28,985	-15,400	19,965	26,845	-6,880
Prince Edward Island	8,470	9,470	-1,000	11,560	9,175	2,385
Nova Scotia	46,165	53,935	-7,770	55,775	50,380	5,395
New Brunswick	36,890	44,505	-7,615	46,880	37,570	9,310
Quebec	77,985	148,705	-70,720	79,680	139,480	-59,800
Ontario	241,180	186,625	54,555	203,895	256,400	-52,505
Manitoba	56,900	86,800	-29,900	57,165	83,765	-26,600
Saskatchewan	36,355	104,395	-68,040	52,555	82,700	-30,145
Alberta	127,555	104,825	22,730	175,045	113,185	61,860
British Columbia	194,195	74,160	120,035	197,365	101,480	95,885
Yukon	5,505	3,965	1,540	6,310	5,905	405
Northwest Territories	6,705	5,130	1,575	8,925	8,215	710

Note: Excludes 'Not Stated' category for Previous Province of Residence.

Population 15 Years and Over, Not Attending School Full-Time, Showing Highest Degrees, Certificates and Diplomas, Canada and Provinces,
1976 Census

	No Degree Certificate or Diploma	Secondary School Graduation Certificate	Non- University Certificate or Diploma	University Certificate or Diploma	Bachelor Degree(s)	Degree in Medicine Dentistry or Veterinary Medicine	Master's Degree(s)	Earned Doctorate	Total
number									
Nfld.	242,160	46,960	32,185	5,335	9,065	725	1,725	485	338,640
P.E.I.	53,945	8,745	8,965	1,125	2,855	235	510	145	76,520
N.S.	372,055	70,240	67,240	7,390	22,580	1,770	4,825	1,495	547,595
N.B.	305,920	60,845	48,760	4,965	15,625	1,005	2,860	835	440,820
Que.	2,462,690	1,012,245	423,515	68,415	156,740	13,950	42,910	10,690	4,191,160
Ont.	3,456,175	998,570	620,445	81,085	287,750	22,290	64,415	19,605	5,550,345
Man.	480,040	84,590	76,295	9,550	31,915	2,420	5,505	1,875	692,180
Sask.	441,290	73,145	64,115	11,730	21,575	1,850	3,415	1,250	618,380
Alta.	734,685	200,305	158,115	19,785	67,275	4,125	11,570	3,995	1,199,855
B.C.	1,024,750	331,105	208,030	31,150	85,095	7,115	16,240	4,810	1,708,300
Yukon	8,125	2,585	2,190	250	735	65	105	5	14,060
N.W.T.	16,340	2,730	3,220	400	1,195	65	200	25	24,175
Canada	9,598,180	2,892,065	1,713,075	241,195	702,415	55,615	154,275	45,210	15,402,030
per cent									
Nfld.	71.5	13.9	9.5	1.6	2.7	0.2	0.5	0.1	100.0
P.E.I.	70.5	11.4	11.7	1.5	3.7	0.3	0.7	0.2	100.0
N.S.	67.9	12.8	12.3	1.3	4.1	0.3	0.9	0.3	100.0
N.B.	69.4	13.8	11.1	1.1	3.5	0.2	0.6	0.2	100.0
Que.	58.8	24.2	10.1	1.6	3.7	0.3	1.0	0.3	100.0
Ont.	62.3	18.0	11.2	1.5	5.2	0.4	1.2	0.3	100.0
Man.	69.4	12.2	11.0	1.4	4.6	0.3	0.8	0.3	100.0
Sask.	71.4	11.8	10.4	1.9	3.5	0.3	0.5	0.2	100.0
Alta.	61.2	16.7	13.2	1.6	5.6	0.3	1.0	0.3	100.0
B.C.	60.0	19.4	12.2	1.8	5.0	0.4	1.0	0.3	100.0
Yukon	57.8	18.4	15.6	1.8	5.2	0.5	0.7	—	100.0
N.W.T.	67.6	11.3	13.3	1.6	4.9	0.3	0.8	0.1	100.0
Canada	62.3	18.8	11.1	1.6	4.6	0.4	1.0	0.3	100.0

Education Characteristics, 1976 Census — Advance Information

Results from the 1976 Census indicate that 37.7% of the Canadian population have a secondary school graduation certificate or a higher degree, certificate or diploma.

The 1976 Census contained for the first time an enquiry on non-university certificates or diplomas (such as those obtained at nursing schools, community colleges and CEGEPs). The results show that 11.1% of the population possess such an educational qualification. Numbers in this category exceed the totals of all the other post-secondary qualifications combined.

In terms of current school attendance (defined as either full-time or part-time attendance at an educational institution between September of 1975 and June 1, 1976) the results show that 34.3% of the population between 15 and 24 years of age were attending school full-time, and 4.4% were attending part-time. The corresponding figures for 1971 were 46.9% and 5.2%, respectively.

The accompanying table shows the distribution of the population not attending school full-time according to the highest degree, certificate or diploma obtained, for Canada and the provinces.

Further information along with more geographic detail will be published later this year in catalogue 92-826, bulletin 2.7, *School Attendance and Level of Schooling*, and in catalogue 92-827, bulletin 2.8, *Level of Schooling by Age Groups*.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended May 6, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended May 6 was 311,188 short tons (282 305 t), an increase of 5.2% from the preceding week's total of 295,742 short tons (268 293 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was 280,654 short tons (254 605 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 169.8 in the current week, 161.4 a week earlier and 153.2 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Population 15 Years and Over, by Sex, Showing Labour Force Activity, Canada and Provinces

1976 Census

Province	Population 15 Years and Over	Labour Force				Unemployment Rate (%)
		Total	Participation Rate (%)	Employed	Unemployed	
Both Sexes						
Canada	17,096,430	10,261,660	60.0	9,561,695	699,965	6.8
Newfoundland	369,960	181,505	49.1	154,125	27,380	15.1
Prince Edward Island	85,005	50,600	59.5	46,130	4,470	8.8
Nova Scotia	604,835	326,855	54.0	296,745	30,110	9.2
New Brunswick	484,155	261,405	54.0	234,430	26,975	10.3
Quebec	4,684,110	2,681,855	57.3	2,478,385	203,475	7.6
Ontario	6,190,685	3,856,225	62.3	3,616,545	239,680	6.2
Manitoba	756,400	460,765	60.9	440,700	20,065	4.4
Saskatchewan	673,310	422,195	62.7	408,690	13,505	3.2
Alberta	1,334,910	873,505	65.4	838,910	34,590	4.0
British Columbia	1,871,480	1,118,845	59.8	1,021,120	97,730	8.7
Yukon	15,410	10,950	71.1	9,825	1,125	10.3
Northwest Territories	26,175	16,960	64.8	16,085	870	5.1
Males						
Canada	8,429,525	6,361,320	75.5	5,975,670	385,650	6.1
Newfoundland	187,180	123,330	65.9	104,360	18,965	15.4
Prince Edward Island	42,130	31,141	73.9	28,930	2,210	7.1
Nova Scotia	299,385	210,525	70.3	193,270	17,255	8.2
New Brunswick	240,350	167,170	69.6	151,275	15,895	9.5
Quebec	2,290,060	1,698,980	74.2	1,581,775	117,200	6.9
Ontario	3,033,885	2,340,770	77.2	2,219,910	120,860	5.2
Manitoba	372,370	280,290	75.3	268,915	11,380	4.1
Saskatchewan	338,320	260,845	77.1	253,920	6,920	2.7
Alberta	674,920	536,915	79.6	517,950	18,960	3.5
British Columbia	928,550	693,670	74.7	638,785	54,885	7.9
Yukon	8,355	6,805	81.4	6,175	630	9.3
Northwest Territories	14,015	10,885	77.7	10,400	490	4.5
Females						
Canada	8,666,905	3,900,345	45.0	3,586,030	314,310	8.1
Newfoundland	182,775	58,180	31.8	49,770	8,410	14.5
Prince Edward Island	42,870	19,460	45.4	17,200	2,260	11.6
Nova Scotia	305,455	116,330	38.1	103,470	12,855	11.1
New Brunswick	243,800	94,240	38.7	83,155	11,075	11.8
Quebec	2,394,050	982,875	41.1	896,605	86,270	8.8
Ontario	3,156,800	1,515,455	48.0	1,396,635	118,815	7.8
Manitoba	384,035	180,475	47.0	171,790	8,685	4.8
Saskatchewan	334,985	161,350	48.2	154,765	6,585	4.1
Alberta	659,985	336,585	51.0	320,960	15,630	4.6
British Columbia	942,935	425,175	45.1	382,335	42,845	10.1
Yukon	7,055	4,140	58.7	3,650	490	11.8
Northwest Territories	12,160	6,075	50.0	5,690	385	6.3

Labour Force Activity, 1976 Census of Canada — Advance Information

Data from the 1976 Census showed an estimated total labour force of 10,261,660 in the week prior to enumeration (in most instances the last week of May, 1976) resulting in a labour force participation rate of 60.0%. Of this total 9,561,695 were employed and 699,965 were unemployed for an unemployment rate of 6.8%. The participation rate for males was 75.5% with a total male labour force of 6,361,320, of whom 385,650 were unemployed. The male unemployment rate was 6.1%. The female labour force of 3,900,345 was 45.0% of the population 15 and over, of whom 3,586,030 were employed and 314,310 were unemployed, to produce an unemployment rate of 8.1%.

Because of differences due to coverage, methodology, time reference period, and questions asked, data from the census are not directly comparable with those collected by the monthly Labour Force Survey. A paper will be available later this year analysing the differences between the two sources and indicating labour force sectors where the questions used or

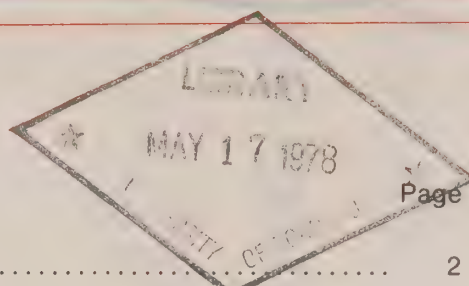
response errors may have contributed to differences in the data. Due to differences in definition stemming from slightly different questions, the 1976 Census labour force activity data are not directly comparable with that of 1971. Data on a basis more comparable with 1971 will be available sometime in the next month or so.

Provincial data shows participation rates ranging from highs of 71.1% and 65.4% in the Yukon and Alberta, respectively, to 49.1% in Newfoundland. It was 54.0% in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. The highest unemployment rates were in Newfoundland (15.1%), New Brunswick (10.3%) and the Yukon (10.3%) and the lowest in Saskatchewan (3.2%) and Alberta (4.0%).

More information on labour force activity of Canadians from the 1976 Census will appear in *Labour Force Activity by Sex* (catalogue 94-801) to be published later this year. Users interested in information on the comparability of 1976 Census data with the Labour Force Survey or the 1971 Census should contact Mrs. A. Kempster (613-994-5460).

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Coal and Coke Statistics, November 1977 (45-002, 40¢/\$4)

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Builders and Shelf Hardware, March 1978 (41-014, 15¢/\$1.50)

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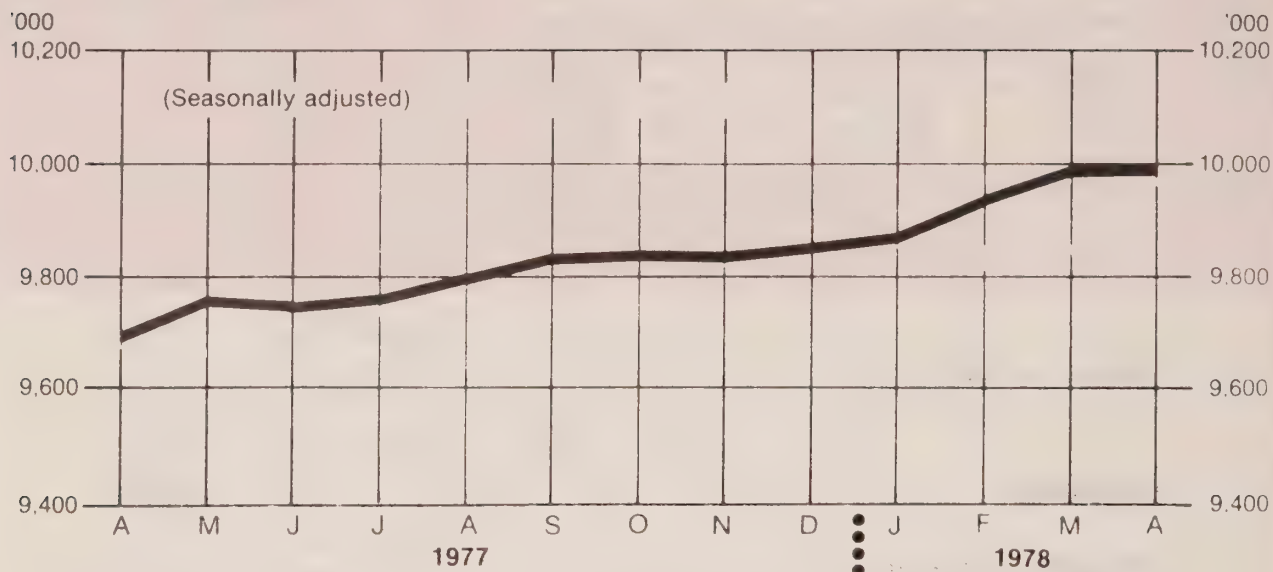
Cemented Tungsten Carbide Blanks and Tools, March 1978 (41-013, 15¢/\$1.50)

Factory Shipments of High Pressure Decorative Laminate Sheet, Quarter Ended March 31, 1978 (47-005, 35¢/\$1.40)

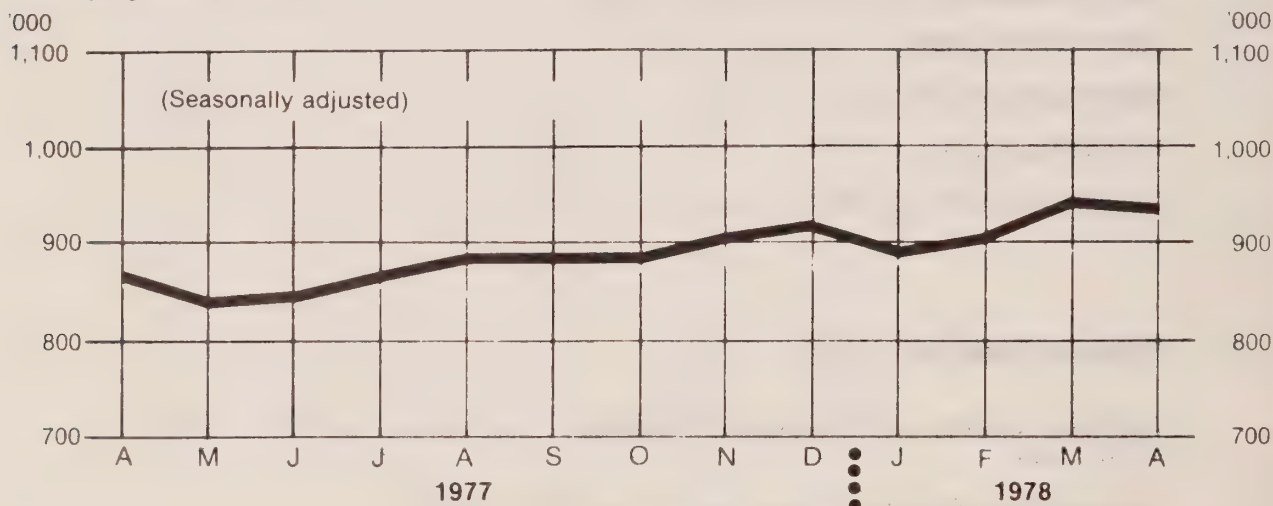
Asbestos, March 1978 (26-001, 15¢/\$1.50)



Employment, Canada



Unemployment, Canada



The Labour Force, April 1978

Canada's seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate remained at 8.6% in April, unchanged from March. The rate in April 1977 was 8.2%.

The adjusted employment level reached 9,996,000 in April, up 12,000 from March. Unemployment showed little change from the previous month at 935,000.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, employment increased in April by 29,000 for women 25 years of age and over while remaining unchanged for women 15 to 24. The level decreased by 17,000 for men (13,000 for men 15-24 and 4,000 for men 25 and over).

There was no change in April in the adjusted unemployment level for men 15 to 24, while for men 25 and over it increased by 14,000. The level for women decreased by 17,000 (11,000 for women 15-24 and 6,000 for women 25 and over).

Seasonally-adjusted April unemployment rates for the provinces, with March rates in brackets: Newfoundland 16.3% (16.5%); Prince Edward Island 11.1% (10.5%); Nova Scotia 11.0% (11.2%); New Brunswick

14.0% (13.3%); Quebec 11.2% (11.5%); Ontario 7.4% (7.4%); Manitoba 6.8% (6.5%); Saskatchewan 5.6% (5.7%); Alberta 4.8% (4.5%); and British Columbia 7.7% (8.5%).

Without seasonal adjustment, the April labour force was 10,750,000 with 9,752,000 employed and 999,000 unemployed for an unemployment rate of 9.3%. In March, the labour force was 10,726,000 with 9,680,000 employed and 1,045,000 unemployed for a rate of 9.7%. In April 1977, the labour force numbered 10,340,000 with 9,425,000 employed and 914,000 unemployed for a rate of 8.8%.

For further information, order the April issue of *The Labour Force* (71-001, 55¢/\$5.50).

Weekly Security Price Indexes

May 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	May 5/78 This week	Apr. 28/78 Week ago	Apr. 7/78 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	104.6	104.7	102.3
Industrials	85	98.1	98.5	96.5
Foods	9	110.8	109.4	107.7
Alcoholic beverages	5	90.7	90.3	90.4
Textiles and clothing	3	138.2	138.1	133.2
Pulp and paper	7	136.5	138.2	129.1
Printing and publishing	5	102.8	104.4	103.8
Primary metals	4	108.0	107.8	104.2
Industrial mines	6	71.7	71.3	69.2
Metal fabricating	9	172.0	172.6	162.7
Non-metallic minerals	4	103.3	101.8	101.2
Petroleum	8	98.3	100.4	102.6
Chemicals	5	111.0	110.5	106.2
Construction	5	287.8	278.0	280.1
Trade	15	86.3	86.9	83.1
Utilities and services	28	107.6	107.3	104.6
Transportation	5	136.5	136.6	129.1
Pipelines	5	91.4	91.0	89.7
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	123.2	121.5	118.8
Telephone	4	112.5	111.4	109.0
Electric power	3	138.6	140.1	139.9
Gas distribution	5	87.2	87.5	86.5
Finances	21	132.3	131.5	127.9
Banks	8	131.8	132.4	128.4
Investment and loan	9	127.7	124.1	121.5
Insurance	4	162.5	155.8	152.8
Mining Index	17	118.6	116.8	120.9
Gold	9	255.1	250.2	263.5
Base metals	8	53.2	52.8	52.6
Uranium	2	216.7	220.1	210.7
Primary oils and gas index	5	135.2	134.2	140.8

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Farm Cash Receipts, January-March 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates indicate that during the January-March period of 1978 farmers' total cash receipts from farming operations in all provinces except Newfoundland totalled 2,904.0 million compared to \$2,660.0 million realized during the same period of 1977. These estimates include: cash receipts from the sale of farm products; Canadian Wheat Board participation payments on previous years' grain crops; cash advances on farm-stored grains in Western Canada; and deficiency payments made by the Agricultural Stabilization Board. No deduction is made for the cost incurred by farmers in the production of the commodities sold.

For further information, order the March issue of *Farm Cash Receipts* (21-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact G. Andrusiak (613-994-9876), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Total Cash Receipts from Farming OperationsJanuary-March
(millions of dollars)

	1977	1978
Prince Edward Island	29.6	25.1
Nova Scotia	28.1	30.2
New Brunswick	29.5	25.7
Quebec	278.9	318.7
Ontario	641.0	747.4
Manitoba	214.2	244.0
Saskatchewan	764.7	753.1
Alberta	570.2	643.3
British Columbia	103.8	116.5
Canada	2,660.0	2,904.0

Oils and Fats — Manufacturers' Sales

March 1978 — Advance Information

	Margarine	Shortening*	Salad Oils	Margarine	Shortening*	Salad Oils
	thousands of pounds			metric tonnes		
Retail						
(20 lbs. (9.072 kg) or less)						
1978	26,143	3,523	6,944	11 858	1 598	3 150
1977	22,319	4,730	8,913	10 124	2 145	4 043
Commercial						
(21-450 lbs. (9.525-204.117 kg)						
1978	2,052	13,289	2,096	931	6 028	951
1977	2,071	12,156	1,724	939	5 514	782
Bulk						
To packagers or bottlers						
1978	15,712	2,894	5,503	7 117	1 313	2 496
1977	11,767	1,756	6,614	5 337	797	3 000
To other than packagers or bottlers						
1978	—	12,899	8,168	—	5 851	3 705
1977	—	12,438	3,704	—	5 642	1 680

* Includes baking and frying oils and fats.

— Nil.

For further information, order the March issue of *Oils and Fats* (32-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, April 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for April 1978 was 1,364,256 short tons (1 237 632 t). Pig iron production was 949,661 short tons (861 518 t).

For further information, order the April issue of *Steel Ingots and Pig Iron* (41-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V3.

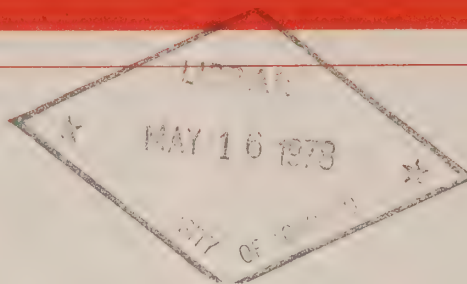
Particle Board, March 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian firms produced 62,703,000 square feet (5 825 000 m²) 5/8" (15.9 mm.) basis of particle board in March compared to 45,455,000 square feet (4 223 000 m²) in March 1977, an increase of 37.9%.

For further information, order the March issue of *Particle Board* (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Fabricated Structural Steel Indexes

Updated indexes for fabricated structural steel are now available. Quarterly and annual figures are available to the first quarter of 1978 and may be retrieved from CANSIM matrix 125. For further information, contact Mr. A.A. Near (613-994-5807), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Precast Concrete Indexes

Updated indexes for precast concrete are now available. Semi-annual and annual figures are available to the end of 1977 and may be retrieved from CANSIM matrix 126. For further information, contact Mr. A.A. Near (613-994-5807), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Field Crop Reporting Series, No. 4, Telegraphic Crop Report, Canada — Available May 11, 1978 at 3 p.m. (22-002, \$5.60 for series of 20)

Changes to Municipal Boundaries, Status and Names, 1977 (12-201, \$1.05)

Railway Transport, Part I, Comparative Summary Statistics, 1972-1976 (52-207, \$1.05)

(continued)



Transcontinental and Regional Air Carrier Operations, November 1977 (51-001, 40¢/\$4)

The Sugar Situation, March 1978 (32-013, 15¢/\$1.50)

Distilled Beverage Spirits and Industrial Ethyl Alcohol, March 1978 (32-021, 15¢/\$1.50)

Railway Carloadings, March 1978 (52-001, 30¢/\$3)

Local Government Finance, Actual 1975 — Advance Information

Total general revenue of local governments in 1975 at \$14,722 million increased by \$2,435 million or 19.8% from 1974. General revenue raised by local governments in 1975 from their own sources — real property and other taxes, sales of service, licenses, permits and other charges — increased by 16.5% over the previous year to \$7,384 million. Transfers from other governments amounted to \$7,338 million or 49.8% of total general revenue. The significant portion of these transfers were the specific purpose transfers from provincial and territorial governments amounting to \$6,402 million (an increase of 22.6% from 1974).

General expenditure at \$15,982 million in 1975 showed an increase of 20.1% over 1974. Expenditure on education rose 20.2% to \$6,753 million and represented 42.3% of the total. Expenditure on transportation and communications in 1975 accounted for 12% of the total general expenditure, while fiscal services represented 8.5%, environment 8.5%, protection of persons and property 7.7% and other functions of expenditure took slightly smaller percentages.

Further details of these and other financial management statistics of local governments will be published in *Local Government Finance (Actual)*, 1975 (68-204). Pending release of the publication, further information may be obtained from Mr. G.A. Marr (613-995-0713), Local Government Section, Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber, March 1978 — Advance Information

Production of rubber decreased in March to 47,515,000 pounds (21 553 000 kg) from 49,345,000 pounds (22 382 000 kg) in March 1977. Consumption of rubber decreased to 55,606,000 pounds (25 221 000 kg) from a revised 62,302,000 pounds (28 256 000 kg) a year earlier.

For further information, order the March issue of *Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber* (33-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, May 1, 1978 — Advance Information

Cold storage holdings of frozen poultry products at May 1 amounted to 53.6 million pounds compared with last year's total of 74.2 million pounds.

For further information, order the May issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, February 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian mills shipped 226,873,000 square feet (21 077 000 m²) 3/8" (9.525 mm) basis of softwood plywood in February, up from 185,285,000 square feet (17 213 000 m²) in February 1977.

Shipments of hardwood plywood amounted to 29,665,000 square feet (2 756 000 m²) surface measure for February, a decrease of 7.5% from the same month in 1977.

For further information, order the February issue of *Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods* (35-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

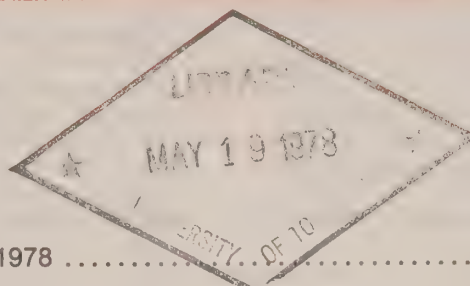
Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies, February 1978 — Advance Information

Production of lumber in sawmills east of the Rockies increased to 551,694,000 feet board measure (1 301 855 m³) in February from a revised 505,235,000 feet board measure (1 192 222 m³) in February 1977. Stocks on hand at the end of February 1978 totalled 1,086,189,000 feet board measure (2 559 639 m³).

For further information, order the February issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies* (35-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Compendium on the Economy Now Ready

The *Market Research Handbook*, 1977-78 (Catalogue 63-224, \$9.75 in Canada, \$11.70 elsewhere) is now available. Its 674 pages, with 197 tables, provide the greatest array of Canadian marketing information published in a single volume. Key economic data are supplied on the nation, provinces and territories, 22 metro areas and 38 other population centres.

Sections include: selected economic indicators; government revenue, expenditure and employment (federal, provincial and local); merchandising and services; population characteristics; personal income and expenditure; housing; motor vehicles; household facilities and equipment; metropolitan area data; census agglomeration data.

For further information, contact David Van Luven (613-996-9301), Distribution and Analysis Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Market Research Handbook, 1977-78 (63-224, \$9.75, Other Countries: \$11.70)

Retail Chain Stores, 1976 (63-210, \$1.40)

Supplementary Bulletins: Geographic and Demographic, Mother Tongue by Age Groups, 1976 Census of Canada (92-833, \$2.25)



Wholesale Trade, March 1978 — Advance Information
Sales by wholesale merchants for March were estimated at \$5,000,929,000, down 1.0% from \$5,051,366,000 in March 1977.

Wholesale inventories were valued at \$13,611,471,000, an increase of 8.5% from stocks of \$12,545,156,000 on hand at the end of March last year.

For further information, order the March issue of *Wholesale Trade* (63-008, 15¢/\$1.50).

Mineral Production, March 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian mineral production for March and for 1978 to date, with 1977 figures in brackets:

- Gold, 143,919 troy ounces (151,101) — 407,847 troy ounces (425,436).
- Silver, 4,064,940 troy ounces (4,784,014) — 10,751,244 troy ounces (11,360,135).
- Primary copper, 72,949 short tons (77,275) — 205,839 short tons (229,089).
- Primary nickel, 24,103 short tons (21,736) — 54,722 short tons (68,187).
- Refined lead, 19,582 short tons (20,221) — 53,103 short tons (56,029).
- Refined zinc, 46,688 short tons (55,298) — 132,083 short tons (158,420).

For further information, order the March issues of: *Gold Production* (26-004, 15¢/\$1.50); *Silver, Lead and Zinc Production* (26-008, 15¢/\$1.50); and *Copper and Nickel Production* (26-003, 15¢/\$1.50); or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Public Warehousing, 1976 — Advance Information

Total warehouse operating revenues reported by 256 public warehouse firms for the year 1976 amounted to \$153.7 million. Operating expenses totalled \$140.1 million, leaving net operating revenues of \$13.6 million.

Storage capacity reported by the industry totalled 31.9 million square feet (3.0 million square metres), with a total volume of 548.7 million cubic feet (15.5 million cubic metres).

For further information, contact Mr. S.L. Mozes (613-996-9271), Chief, Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Fruit and Vegetable Production, May 1978 — Advance Information

Advance data from the above-noted report are now available. This first issue of the season contains the intended area of vegetables for processing and preliminary results of the 1977 mushroom growers' survey. This issue also provides final 1976 values and production of most fruit and vegetable crops.

For further information, order the May issue of *Fruit and Vegetable Production* (22-003, 40¢/\$3), or contact Mrs. J. Boulet (613-994-9994), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Pulpwood and Wood Residue, March 1978 — Advance Information

Roundwood production increased 11.2% to 1,165,274 cunits (3 300 000 m³) in March from 1,047,992 cunits (2 968 000 m³) in March 1977. Consumption of roundwood and wood residue decreased 0.6% to 2,529,074 cunits (7 162 000 m³) from 2,544,419 cunits (7 205 000 m³) and closing inventory of these two products was down 9.1% to 9,576,317 cunits (27 117 000 m³) from 10,538,862 cunits (29 842 000 m³). Receipts of wood residue decreased 3.4% to 1,081,123 cunits (3 061 000 m³) from 1,118,929 cunits (3 168 000 m³).

For further information, order the March issue of *Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics* (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Shipments of Paper Grocery Bags and Check Stand Sacks by Canadian Manufacturers

March 1978 and First Three Months of 1978 — Published Only in the Statistics Canada Bulletin

	Eastern Canada		Western Canada		Canada Total	
	March 1977	March 1978	March 1977	March 1978	March 1977	March 1978
(thousands of bags)						
Standard Grocery Bags						
Size						
1/4 and 1/2	1,842	4,696	618	3,986	2,460	8,682
1	9,227	14,247	2,840	6,986	7,215	14,630
2						
3 and 4	10,535	14,750	3,406	2,622	13,941	17,372
5	21,323	28,377	3,592	9,268	24,915	37,645
6	3,744	6,178	3,872	6,293	7,616	12,471
7	10,825	17,791	6,342	8,717	13,587	20,197
8						
10	14,301	22,872	3,888	5,936	18,189	28,808
12	4,162	8,179	2,321	3,971	6,483	12,150
14	8,551	14,749	3,593	6,259	12,144	21,008
20	18,365	30,918	7,289	9,230	25,654	40,148
Total	102,875	162,757	37,761	63,268	140,636	226,025
Check Stand Sacks						
No. 1	14,266	13,781	5,193	5,023	19,459	18,804
No. 2	14,445	17,237	—	—	14,445	17,237
No. 3	32,166	40,287	35,316	21,729	67,482	62,016
Nos. 4 and 5	8,877	2,754	—	—	8,877	2,754
Total	69,754	74,059	40,509	26,752	110,263	100,811

For further information, contact G. W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Shipments of Paper Grocery Bags and Check Stand Sacks by Canadian Manufacturers

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	Eastern Canada		Western Canada		Canada Total	
	1st Quarter 1977	1978	1st Quarter 1977	1978	1st Quarter 1977	1978
(thousands of bags)						
Standard Grocery Bags						
Size						
1/4 and 1/2	5,339	9,363	1,794	7,131	7,133	16,494
1	22,632	30,849	8,155	13,020	22,044	29,748
2						
3 and 4	28,007	36,841	9,496	11,038	37,503	47,879
5	55,449	76,834	10,620	18,749	66,069	95,583
6	9,092	15,960	10,222	12,515	19,314	28,475
7	26,487	41,426	17,756	21,410	33,315	47,023
8						
10	41,362	58,558	11,225	12,891	52,587	71,449
12	9,729	18,168	6,714	9,550	16,443	27,718
14	24,745	36,132	11,811	16,393	36,556	52,525
20	49,375	80,091	21,441	21,764	70,816	101,855
Total	272,217	404,222	109,234	144,461	381,451	548,683
Check Stand Sacks						
No. 1	31,959	36,982	19,255	17,034	51,214	54,016
No. 2	41,286	42,442r	—	—	41,286	42,442r
No. 3	91,173	101,434	83,439	72,370	174,612	173,804
Nos. 4 and 5	12,269	7,935	—	—	12,269	7,935
Total	176,687	188,793r	102,694	89,404	279,381	278,197r

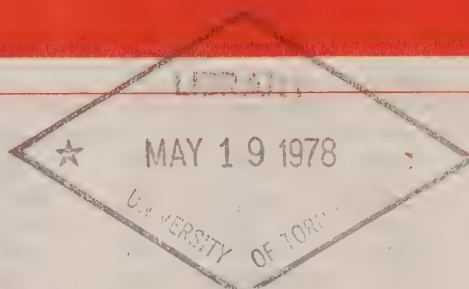
r Includes revisions for February, 1978.

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Consumer Price Movements, April 1978 (62-001, 30¢/\$3) — Available Tuesday, May 16, 1978 at 7 a.m.

The Labour Force, April 1978 (71-001, 55¢/\$5.50)

Exports by Commodities, February 1978 (65-004, 80¢/\$8)

Causes of Death, Provinces by Sex and Canada by Sex and Age, 1976 (84-203, \$2.80)

The Mechanical Contracting Industry, 1975 (64-204, \$2.10)

Railway Transport, Part IV, Operating and Traffic Statistics, 1976 (52-210, 70¢)

Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, January 1978 (26-006, 30¢/\$3)

Urban Transit, March 1978 (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, March 1978 (43-002, 15¢/\$1.50)
(continued)



Electric Lamps, March 1978 (43-009, 15¢/\$1.50)

Sanitaryware, March 1978 (41-012, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletin:

Railway Transport (52-004, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 8, No. 2, Railway Carloadings, March 1978; Railway Operating Statistics, December 1977

Preliminary Monthly Report of Petroleum Sales

March, 1978

(Thousands of Barrels)

	Motor Gasoline	Aviation Turbo Fuel	Kerosene and Stove Oil	Diesel Fuel	Light Fuel	Heavy Fuel	Other Products	Total Products
Newfoundland	310	107	91	195	371	227	13	1,314
Prince Edward Island	81	5	25	14	120	52	8	305
Nova Scotia	569	64	125	305	865	1,095	83	3,106
New Brunswick	506	26	85	156	614	1,048	67	2,502
Quebec	4,228	474	466	1,059	4,699	3,123	1,425	15,474
Ontario	6,187	683	184	1,349	4,292	3,220	1,998	17,913
Manitoba	795	105	114	277	172	76	63	1,602
Saskatchewan	873	51	97	310	174	2	77	1,584
Alberta	2,024	279	64	1,026	101	4	525	4,023
British Columbia	2,072	268	109	1,101	668	639	370	5,227
Northwest Territories	18	39	15	34	40	—	4	150
Yukon	21	5	24	32	28	—	4	114
Canada	17,684	2,106	1,399	5,858	12,144	9,486	4,637	53,314
Canada 1977	17,445	2,060	1,372	5,859	11,150	9,524	4,180	51,590
% change 1978/1977	1.4	2.2	2.0	—	8.9	-0.4	10.9	3.3

Refined Petroleum Products, March 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary data for March shows that net sales of all refined petroleum products amounted to 53,314,000 barrels, an increase of 3.3% over the March 1977 total of 51,590,000 barrels.

Canadian refineries produced 53,658,000 barrels of refined petroleum products in March, a decrease of 5.4% from 56,700,000 barrels a year earlier.

For further information, order the March issue of *Refined Petroleum Products* (45-004, 40¢/\$4), or contact G.R. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Telecommunication Statistics, Fourth Quarter 1977 — Advance Information

Teleglobe Canada, Canadian National Telecommunications and Canadian Pacific (Telecommunications Branch) reported revenue of \$79.1 million for the fourth quarter of 1977, up 5.8% from October-December 1976. Operating expenses rose 8.3% to \$63.2 million. Net operating revenue at \$15.8 million decreased 3.0% from the fourth quarter of 1976.

Operating revenues for the year 1977 were \$292.1 million, up 6.6% over 1976 while expenses were up 13.5% at \$248.3 million. Net operating revenue declined 20.8% to \$43.8 million.

For further information, order the *Communications Service Bulletin, Telecommunication Statistics, Fourth Quarter 1977* (56-001, \$1.40 a year), or contact Patrick Crosby (613-996-9274), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Footwear Statistics, March 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian production of footwear of all types increased to 3,685,672 pairs in March from 3,656,155 pairs in March 1977.

For further information, order the March issue of *Footwear Statistics* (33-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes, March 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 6,899,883 phonograph records in March, up from 6,389,605 in March 1977. Production of pre-recorded tapes (8-track cartridges and cassettes only) increased to 1,467,345 from 1,326,207.

For further information, order the March issue of *Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes in Canada* (47-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Charlottetown, Fredericton, Moncton, Saint John and Sydney by calling the operator and asking for ZENITH 22066. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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Coal and Coke Statistics, December 1977 — Advance Information

December coal production decreased 6.9% to 2,792,148 tons (2 532 994 metric tonnes) from 2,997,806 tons (2 719 564 metric tonnes) a year earlier. Imports decreased to 987,670 tons (895 999 metric tonnes) from 1,214,403 tons (1 101 688 metric tonnes). Industrial consumers used 2,774,537 tons (2 517 018 metric tonnes) of coal in December 1977, up 126,172 tons (114 461 metric tonnes) and 442,510 tons (401 438 metric tonnes) of coke, down 43,409 tons (39 380 metric tonnes).

For further information, order the December issue of *Coal and Coke Statistics* (45-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Energy and Minerals Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Oil Pipeline Transport, February 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian oil pipe lines received 2,511,000 barrels per day (399 023 m3D) of crude oil, condensate, pentanes plus and refined petroleum product in February, down 3.3% from the 2,597,000 B/D (412 689 m3D) received in February 1977. Receipts of domestic petroleum and products decreased 2.1% to 2,193,800 B/D (348 617 m3D), while imported petroleum and products receipts decreased 10.7% to 317,200 B/D (50 406 m3D).

For further information, order the February issue of *Oil Pipe Line Transport* (55-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Fish Freezings and Stocks, March 1978 — Advance Information

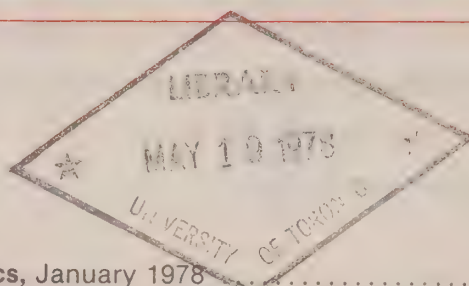
Advance data from the Fish Freezings and Stocks report for the month of March are now available.

For further information, order the March issue of *Fish Freezings and Stocks* (24-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Sales Financing, February 1978 (63-013, 30¢/\$3)

Department Store Sales and Stocks, February 1978 (63-002, 40¢/\$4)

Oilseeds Review, December 1977 (22-006, \$1.05/\$4.20)

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Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, February 1978 (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50)

Paper and Plastic Bag Manufacturers, 1976 (36-207, 70¢)

Folding Carton and Set-up Box Manufacturers, 1976 (36-214, 70¢)

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Papermakers and Other Felts, Quarter Ended March 31, 1978 (47-003, 35¢/\$1.40)

Estimates of Production and Disappearance of Meats, 1977 (32-220, 35¢)

Telephone Statistics, March 1978 (56-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Breweries, March 1978 (32-019, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletin:

Culture Statistics (87-001, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 1, No. 1, Culture Statistics

Railway Operating Statistics, January 1978 — Advance Information

Six major railways in Canada reported a combined net operating deficit of \$2.0 million in January, an improvement over the deficit of \$3.6 million recorded in the corresponding 1977 month. Total operating revenues rose 10.2% to \$272.8 million, while operating expenses were up 9.4% to \$274.8 million.

Freight ton-miles totalled 10,017.1 million, an increase of 3.6% over January 1977, while freight train-miles declined 2.4% to 5.1 million. Freight car-miles were up 2.2% to 320.2 million.

Passenger-miles in Canada rose sharply in January to 142.0 million. This represented an increase of 35.7% over January 1977 and was attributable to a 41.4% gain in intercity movement. Commuter travel in terms of passenger-miles was 11.4% below the year-earlier level.

For further information, order the January issue of *Railway Operating Statistics* (52-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended May 13, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended May 13 was 320,671 short tons (290 908 t), an increase of 3.0% from the preceding week's total of 311,188 short tons (282 305 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was 281,328 short tons (255 216 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 175.0 in the current week, 169.8 a week earlier and 153.5 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Wholesale Inventories, March 1978 (Errata)

Wholesale inventories at the end of March were valued at \$8,081,627,000, an increase of 7.4% over stocks of \$7,522,211,000 on hand at March 31, 1977.

It should be noted that the figures above replace those submitted for the Daily release of Friday, May 12, 1978.

For further information, order the March issue of *Wholesale Trade* (63-008, 15¢/\$1.50).

Oilseeds, March 1978 — Advance Information

Crushings of oilseeds for March, with oil produced and meal produced (all figures in metric tonnes):

- Soybeans: 67 313.31 (11 524.12; 52 646.95).
- Rapeseed: 60 413.67 (24 693.38; 33 400.87).

For further information, order the March issue of *Oilseeds Review* (22-006, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact J.M. Huard (613-994-9956), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Railway Carloadings

10-day period ending April 30

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	2,177,941	2,939,757	5,117,698
Short tons, 1977	4,012,260	3,072,155	7,084,415
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 975 795	2 666 903	4 642 698
Metric tonnes, 1977	3 639 861	2 787 012	6 426 873
% change	-45.7	-4.3	-27.8
Cars, 1978	41,039	44,105	85,144
Cars, 1977	61,622	46,484	108,106
% change	-33.4	-5.1	-21.2
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	212,636	78,306	290,942
Short tons, 1977	213,258	87,755	301,013
Metric tonnes, 1978	192 900	71 038	263 938
Metric tonnes, 1977	193 464	79 610	273 074
% change	-0.3	-10.8	-3.3
Cars, 1978	6,446	3,226	9,672
Cars, 1977	6,498	3,538	10,036
% change	-0.8	-8.8	-3.6
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	36,951,170	35,931,790	72,882,960
Short tons, 1977	40,840,214	35,114,598	75,954,812
Metric tonnes, 1978	33 521 538	32 596 772	66 118 310
Metric tonnes, 1977	37 049 619	31 855 427	68 905 046
% change	-9.5	2.3	-4.0
Cars, 1978	629,324	540,095	1,169,419
Cars, 1977	673,311	531,726	1,205,037
% change	-6.5	1.6	-3.0
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	2,838,390	1,016,550	3,854,940
Short tons, 1977	2,684,482	979,195	3,663,677
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 574 944	922 199	3 497 143
Metric tonnes, 1977	2 435 321	888 311	3 323 632
% change	5.7	3.8	5.2
Cars, 1978	85,198	40,994	126,192
Cars, 1977	81,746	42,210	123,956
% change	4.2	-2.9	1.8

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1977 figures have been revised. 1978 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 10 Days Ended April 30, 1978 —
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Canadian railways loaded 4.6 million t (5.1 million short tons) of revenue freight in the last 10 days of April, a drop of 27.8% from 1977. This decline was mainly attributable to traffic losses in the East (-45.7%) resulting from continued work stoppages at iron ore mines in the Quebec-Newfoundland area. Western loadings were also down in the latest period, declining 4.3%.

Cars loaded fell 21.2% to 85,144 from 108,106. Trailer-container (piggyback) shipments declined 3.3% in Canada, with the East recording a loss of 0.3% and the West a loss of 10.8%.

In the first four months of 1978, rail freight loadings were down 4.0% from 1977 to 66.1 million t (72.9 million short tons).

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Selected Principal Statistics for Dental Laboratories

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3915		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	436	395	-9.4
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,922	3,097	6.0
Man-hours paid	000's	5,800	6,037	4.1
Manufacturing wages	\$000	23,565	26,881	14.1
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	270	258	-4.5
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	14,743	15,812	7.2
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	58,373	60,417	3.5
Value added	\$000	43,363	44,351	2.3
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	3,218	3,341	3.8
Total salaries and wages	\$000	27,027	30,403	12.5
Total value added	\$000	43,133	44,109	2.3

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Scientific and Professional Equipment Industries* (47-206, \$1.05).

Divorces

1976

	Number			Rate*		
	1976	1975	% Change	1976	1975	% Change
Canada	54,207	50,611	7.1	235.8	222.0	6.2
Newfoundland	424	380	11.6	76.0	69.2	9.8
Prince Edward Island	116	75	54.7	98.1	63.1	55.5
Nova Scotia	1,753	1,597	9.8	211.6	194.2	9.0
New Brunswick	938	758	23.7	138.5	112.3	23.3
Quebec	15,186	14,093	7.8	243.6	227.8	6.9
Ontario	18,589	17,485	6.3	224.9	212.6	5.8
Manitoba	1,941	1,984	2.2	190.0	194.8	-2.5
Saskatchewan	1,207	1,131	6.7	131.0	123.2	6.3
Alberta	5,697	5,475	4.1	309.9	309.7	0.1
British Columbia	8,231	7,534	9.3	333.7	306.6	8.8
Yukon	67	43	55.8	306.8	206.7	48.4
Northwest Territories	58	56	3.6	136.1	148.1	-8.1

*Per 100,000 population

Divorces, 1976 — Advances Information

The number of divorce decrees granted in Canada in 1976 totalled 54,207, an increase of 7.1% over 1975. The rate of 235.8 per 100,000 population was 6.2% higher than that for 1975. All provinces except Manitoba showed increases in rates. The highest rate was registered by British Columbia, followed closely by Alberta.

Detailed tables will be published in the forthcoming publication *Vital Statistics, Volume II, Marriages and Divorces, 1976* (84-205, \$1.05). For further information, contact D. Nagnur (613-995-0864), Vital Statistics and Disease Registries Section, Health Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Hospital Indicators, January-March 1977 (83-001, \$1.75/\$7)

Primary Iron and Steel, February 1978 (41-001, 40¢/\$4)

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products, March 1978 (62-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Specified Domestic Electrical Appliances, March 1978 (43-003, 15¢/\$1.50)
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Cement, March 1978 (44-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Iron Castings and Cast Iron Pipe and Fittings, March 1978 (41-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries, March 1978 (43-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

Specified Chemicals, March 1978 (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Consumer Price Index for Canada and Main Components

(1971=100)

(Not seasonally adjusted)

	Relative importance(1)	Indexes			% Change		% Contribution to total change	
		1978		1977	April 1978 from			
		Apr.	Mar.	Apr.	Mar. 1978	Apr. 1977	Mar. 1978	Apr. 1977
All items	100	171.2	170.8	157.9	0.2	8.4	100	100
Food	27	200.4	197.0	174.7	1.7	14.7	188	47
All items excluding food	73	161.2	161.8	152.0	-0.4	6.1	-88	53
Housing	33	171.3	171.4	159.1	-0.1	7.7	-11	30
Clothing	9	143.2	147.2	139.5	-2.7	2.7	-97	3
Transportation	15	159.8	160.5	152.7	-0.4	4.6	-25	8
Health and personal care	4	163.3	163.3	152.7	0.0	6.9	0	3
Recreation, education and reading	6	145.8	146.1	140.7	-0.2	3.6	-5	3
Tobacco and alcohol	6	154.0	150.4	141.7	2.4	8.7	50	6
Purchasing power of the 1971 consumer dollar	—	0.58	0.59	0.63				
All-items Consumer Price Index converted to 1961=100		228.4						

(1) These rounded weights, provided as a general guide, show the relative importance of the major components of the CPI, on average, during the year 1977.

The Consumer Price Index, April 1978 (62-001, 30¢/\$3)

The all-items Consumer Price Index for Canada (1971=100) advanced 0.2% to 171.2 in April from 170.8 in March. As a result, the 12-month rise between April 1977 and April 1978 stood at 8.4%, down from 8.8% in the previous month. Higher food prices, up 1.7% in April, were largely responsible for this latest monthly rise. The impact of the substantial increase in the food index on the total CPI was in a large measure dampened, however, by a 0.4% decrease in the index for all items excluding food. This decrease was mainly attributable to the recent provincial sales tax reductions.

Higher prices for beef cuts — up 8.9% on average in early April — along with increased prices for many fresh fruits and vegetables were mainly responsible for the 2.0% rise in food-at-home index. Other notable contributors included higher prices for chicken, other meats and for certain dairy products while prices for many pork cuts declined.

The varying provincial sales tax reductions which became effective in the earlier half of the month of April were the major factor in the 0.4% decline in the index for all items excluding food. These reductions particularly affected the clothing (-2.7%) and transportation (-0.4%) components. Partially offsetting the impact of the sales tax reductions were increased prices for tobacco and alcohol products in many provinces, higher postal rates, increased air fares and higher automobile labour repair charges. Between April 1977 and April 1978, the index for all items excluding food advanced 6.1%, down from the 7.0% registered in the preceding month.

Viewed in terms of goods and services, the price level of goods, including food, increased 0.2% in the latest month while that for services was up 0.4%. Between April 1977 and April 1978, the price level of goods increased 9.2% while that for services rose by 7.0%.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, the all-items CPI advanced 0.4% between March and April: this comprised a 2.0% increase in the food index and a 0.2% decrease in the index for all items excluding food.

In April, the current annual rate of change in the CPI(1), based on the seasonally-adjusted movement in the latest three-month period, was 8.3%.

(1) See Table 2 and technical notes of this release.

Note to CPI Users

An announcement concerning the introduction of the Consumer Price Index revision will be issued in conjunction with the April release of the Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities on May 25.

(see table on next page)

Month-to-Month Percentage Changes in the Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted Consumer Price Index for Canada*

	All items		Food		All items excluding food	
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**
1975						
January	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.5
February	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.7
March	0.5	0.5	-0.4	-0.1	0.9	0.8
April	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6
May	0.8	0.7	1.1	0.6	0.7	0.7
June	1.5	1.2	3.2	2.9	0.8	0.7
July	1.4	1.2	2.3	1.4	1.0	1.1
August	1.0	0.8	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8
September	0.2	0.6	-0.7	0.1	0.7	0.8
October	0.9	1.1	0.4	1.1	1.1	1.1
November	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.8	1.0	0.8
December	0.1	0.3	-0.7	-0.4	0.5	0.7
1976						
January	0.6	0.6	-0.2	-0.1	0.8	0.7
February	0.3	0.2	-0.3	-0.7	0.7	0.7
March	0.4	0.4	-0.7	-0.4	0.8	0.7
April	0.4	0.5	-0.4	-0.2	0.7	0.7
May	0.8	0.7	1.5	0.9	0.6	0.7
June	0.5	0.2	0.2	-0.4	0.5	0.5
July	0.4	0.3	0.3	-0.5	0.6	0.6
August	0.5	0.3	-0.5	-0.5	0.8	0.6
September	0.5	0.8	-0.7	0.0	1.0	1.1
October	0.7	0.9	0.0	0.7	0.8	1.0
November	0.3	0.3	-0.2	0.0	0.5	0.5
December	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.3	0.3
1977						
January	0.9	0.8	1.2	1.4	0.7	0.7
February	0.9	0.8	2.0	1.5	0.5	0.4
March	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.2	1.0	1.1
April	0.6	0.7	1.0	1.2	0.5	0.5
May	0.8	0.6	1.4	0.7	0.5	0.5
June	0.7	0.5	1.1	0.6	0.6	0.6
July	0.9	0.7	2.1	1.2	0.4	0.5
August	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.2
September	0.6	0.9	0.2	1.0	0.7	1.0
October	1.0	1.1	1.4	2.0	0.8	0.8
November	0.7	0.7	0.8	1.1	0.6	0.4
December	0.7	0.9	1.6	2.0	0.3	0.5
1978						
January	0.4	0.3	0.8	0.9	0.2	0.1
February	0.7	0.5	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.6
March	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.6	1.1	1.0
April	0.2	0.4	1.7	2.0	-0.4	-0.2

* For some elaboration of methodology, see Appendix I(A) of *Consumer Prices and Price Indexes* (Catalogue 62-010).

** Seasonally adjusted data are revised annually using updated seasonal adjustment factors. For more information, refer to Appendix II, *Consumer Prices and Price Indexes* (Catalogue 62-010).

Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables, March 1978 — Advance Information

Advance information on canned and frozen fruits and vegetables for the month of March is now available.

For further information, order the March issue of *Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables* (32-011, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Salt Mines, 1976 — Advance Information

Total value added in salt mines in 1976 was \$70,671,323, an increase of 54% over \$45,887,978 in 1975.

For further information, order the 1976 issue of *Salt Mines* (26-214, 70¢), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Index of Industrial Production

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1977 Dec.	1978 Jan.	1978 Feb.	1978 Mar.	% Change
Index of Industrial Production	29.497	126.0	124.3	126.1	126.1	—
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	111.6	105.7	108.3	107.8	-0.5
Metal mines	1.584	104.2	101.6	101.0	100.6	-0.4
Mineral fuels	1.492	119.8	107.0	114.5	113.8	-0.6
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)	.363	118.6	122.0	120.2	117.2	-2.5
Manufacturing industries	22.862	124.4	122.9	124.9	125.5	0.5
Food and beverage industries	3.254	116.9	117.4	119.4	118.7	-0.6
Tobacco products industries	.212	122.7	118.2	122.3	122.6	0.2
Rubber and plastics products industries	.650	157.7	157.7	162.3	161.4	-0.6
Leather industries	.206	87.1	86.8	90.8	93.2	2.6
Textile industries	.756	111.0	110.7	111.8	112.6	0.7
Knitting mills	.205	89.7	88.6	89.0	89.5	0.6
Clothing industries	.742	109.5	110.5	112.0	112.6	0.5
Wood industries	.968	146.3	141.3	139.1	137.0	-1.5
Furniture and fixture industries	.420	105.5	104.7	104.4	105.0	0.6
Paper and allied industries	1.878	118.0	120.1	124.1	124.1	—
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	113.8	114.8	116.2	115.8	-0.3
Primary metal industries	1.976	109.9	115.0	119.8	122.0	1.8
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.887	129.8	127.7	129.7	130.3	0.5
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.008	138.1	135.1	136.9	137.1	0.1
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	143.5	132.4	133.5	137.8	3.2
Electrical products industries	1.631	108.2	105.3	105.7	106.3	0.6
Non-metallic mineral products industries	.905	131.1	124.1	126.9	127.6	0.6
Petroleum and coal products industries	.394	134.9	132.6	134.1	130.5	-2.7
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.363	147.9	151.0	153.7	153.4	-0.2
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	.713	108.9	106.0	107.3	107.8	0.5
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	158.6	161.4	159.5	156.6	-1.8
Special industry groupings:						
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	121.1	121.7	124.1	123.8	-0.2
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	127.7	124.0	125.7	127.1	1.1

Index of Industrial Production, March 1978 — Advance Information

The seasonally-adjusted index of industrial production (1971=100) stood at 126.1 in March, unchanged from the February level. Manufacturing output increased, while mining and utilities declined during the month.

For further information, order the March issue of *Index of Real Domestic Product by Industry (including the Index of Industrial Production)*, (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Consumer Credit, March 1978 — Advance Information

Consumer credit outstanding on the books of selected credit holders reporting monthly reached \$25,130 million at the end of March, an increase of 11.7% from a year earlier.

Outstanding balances of monthly-reporting credit holders at the end of March 1978, with percentage changes from a year earlier:

- Chartered banks' personal loans: \$19,243 million, up 15.0%.
- Quebec savings banks' personal loans: \$90 million, up 20.0%.
- Life insurance companies' policy loans: \$1,295 million, up 3.6%.

- Sales finance and consumer loan companies' loans: small \$193 million, down 13.1%; large \$1,442 million, down 2.4%; instalment sales paper \$1,059 million, down 3.8%.

- Department stores and furniture, TV, radio and household appliance stores: \$1,394 million, up 5.8%.

- Trust and mortgage companies' personal loans: \$414 million (preliminary), up 27.0%.

Credit holders reporting quarterly had combined outstanding balances of \$6,493 million (revised) at the end of the fourth quarter of 1977, up 16.0% from a year earlier. The largest of these credit holders, credit unions and caisses populaires, reported balances outstanding of \$4,627 million, up 19.1% (also included in the quarterly total: other retail stores; other credit-card issuers; and public utilities).

Including quarterly reporters, outstanding balances at the end of the fourth quarter of 1977 totalled \$31,292 million, up 12.8% from a year earlier.

For further information, order the March issue of *Consumer Credit* (61-004, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Selected Principal Statistics for Shoe Factories

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 174		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	158	154	-2.5
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	14,809	14,219	-4.0
Man-hours paid	000's	29,726	29,036	-2.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	93,864	105,999	12.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,537	1,795	16.8
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	174,100	197,527	13.5
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	351,221	396,923	13.0
Value added	\$000	176,873	206,550	16.8
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	16,860	16,491	-2.2
Total salaries and wages	\$000	119,210	136,441	14.4
Total value added	\$000	176,752	214,542	21.4

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Shoe Factories and Shoe Findings Manufacturers* (33-203, 70c).

Industrial Corporations' Financial Statistics

First Quarter 1978

	Year-over-Year Change					
	Sales		Net income before Extraordinary items		Net income after Extraordinary items	
	(\$ millions)	%	(\$ millions)	%	(\$ millions)	%
All industries						
1st Qtr. 1978	65,735		2,376		2,365	
1st Qtr. 1977	59,261		2,161		2,165	
Change	6,474	10.9	215	9.9	200	9.2
Mining industries						
1st Qtr. 1978	4,179		515		504	
1st Qtr. 1977	3,872		520		519	
Change	307	7.9	-5	-1.0	-15	-2.9
Manufacturing industries						
1st Qtr. 1978	31,395		1,102		1,096	
1st Qtr. 1977	28,659		1,017		1,014	
Change	2,736	9.5	85	8.4	82	8.1
Other industries						
1st Qtr. 1978	30,161		759		765	
1st Qtr. 1977	26,730		624		632	
Change	3,431	12.8	135	21.6	133	21.0

Industrial Corporations, Financial Statistics (Preliminary Data), First Quarter 1978 — (61-003p, free to subscribers)

The accompanying table presents highlights of preliminary financial statistics of Canadian industrial corporations for the first quarter of 1978.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

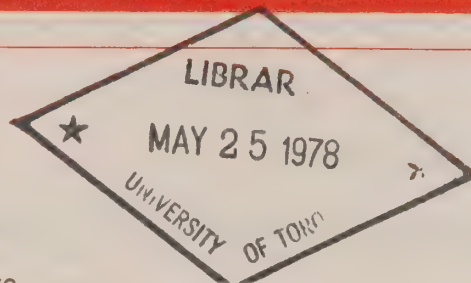
May 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	May 12/78 This week	May 5/78 Week ago	Apr. 14/78 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	105.2	104.6	104.0
Industrials	85	98.8	98.1	98.3
Foods	9	111.5	110.8	108.7
Alcoholic beverages	5	92.4	90.7	91.1
Textiles and clothing	3	144.0	138.2	138.0
Pulp and paper	7	137.5	136.5	132.0
Printing and publishing	5	104.3	102.8	104.6
Primary metals	4	109.2	108.0	104.7
Industrial mines	6	71.6	71.7	69.9
Metal fabricating	9	172.9	172.0	169.2
Non-metallic minerals	4	105.0	103.3	101.5
Petroleum	8	98.4	98.3	105.8
Chemicals	5	111.4	111.0	110.4
Construction	5	292.2	287.8	282.1
Trade	15	87.5	86.3	84.7
Utilities and services	28	107.8	107.6	105.7
Transportation	6	137.6	136.5	131.3
Pipelines	5	91.1	91.4	90.5
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	124.6	123.2	119.9
Telephone	4	112.6	112.5	110.0
Electric power	3	140.5	138.6	139.6
Gas distribution	5	87.2	87.2	87.7
Finances	21	133.1	132.3	129.6
Banks	8	132.1	131.8	130.8
Investment and loan	9	128.4	127.7	120.9
Insurance	4	169.6	162.5	155.0
Mining Index	17	124.3	118.6	120.9
Gold	9	267.6	255.1	263.0
Base metals	8	55.6	53.2	52.8
Uraniums	2	214.7	216.7	217.2
Primary oils and gas index	5	137.3	135.2	145.1

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Research and Development Expenditures

Advance information on expenditures for research and development in Canadian industry in 1976 are now available by contacting: Private Sector (613-995-3014), Science Statistics Centre, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Directory of Private Schools

Now available free of charge is the *Directory of Private Elementary and Secondary Schools in Canada, 1977-78*. Please address requests to: Mr. Albert Monsour (613-995-9795), Elementary-Secondary Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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New Guidebook for Retailers

How A Retailer Can Profit from Facts, a free 55-page guide on how retailers can benefit by using statistics, is now available.

This book, second in a series for smaller businesses, shows how statistics can be used in choosing a location, estimating the market, learning about potential customers, comparing costs with those of similar firms, forecasting demand and reaching the right market when advertising.

Five case studies are included. There are also sections on where to get statistics and who to ask for help, understanding the jargon, and the do's and don'ts of using statistics.

Single copies of the guide are free and may be ordered from User Advisory Services, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6, or from any of the division's eight regional offices. For further information, contact Ellis Drover (613-996-5841), Director, User Advisory Services or the regional offices.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Field Crop Reporting Series, No. 5, Telegraphic Crop Report, Prairie Provinces — Available at 3 p.m., May 18, 1978 (22-002, \$5.60 for series of 20)

Corporation Financial Statistics, 1975 (61-207, \$2.80)

Provincial Government Enterprise Finance, Fiscal Years Ended Nearest to December 31st, 1975 (61-204, \$1.40)

Dwellings and Households, Private Households by Size, 1976 Census of Canada (93-805, \$3.00)

Supplementary Bulletins: Geographic and Demographic, Single Years of Age, 1976 Census of Canada (92-832, \$2.25)

Refined Petroleum Products, February 1978 (45-004, 40¢/\$4)

Radio Broadcasting, January 1978 (56-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Wool Production and Supply, 1977 (23-205, 35¢)

Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, January 1 to March 31, 1978 (63-009, 15¢/\$1.50)

Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers, March 1978 (46-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Domestic Water Tank Heaters, March 1978 (43-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

Concrete Products, March 1978 (44-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, April 1978 (41-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Radio and Television Receiving Sets, March 1978 (43-004, 30¢/\$3)

Tobacco Products — Cigarettes and Cigars, April 1978 — Advance Information

Production of cigarettes for April amounted to 5.5 billion compared to 5.4 billion for April 1977. Production of cigars totalled 40.2 million, up from 37.9 million in April 1977.

For further information, order the April issue of *Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products* (32-022, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Chemical and Mineral Process Plant Indexes, First Quarter 1978

First quarter 1978 and fourth quarter 1977 revised figures for the chemical and mineral process plant indexes are now available. For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. R.J. Lowe (613-994-9387), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Selected Principal Statistics for the Jewellery and Silverware Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3920		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	256	259	1.2
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	5,683	5,562	-2.1
Man-hours paid	000's	11,893	11,613	-2.4
Manufacturing wages	\$000	43,753	48,311	10.4
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,059	1,238	16.9
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	187,831	185,870	-1.1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	302,835	302,844	—
Value added	\$000	115,569	115,312	-0.2
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	7,042	6,944	-1.4
Total salaries and wages	\$000	61,792	69,748	12.9
Total value added	\$000	121,119	124,990	3.2

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Jewellery and Silverware Industry*, 1976 (47-211, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Fur Goods Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2460		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	313	296	-5.4
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,393	2,326	-2.8
Man-hours paid	000's	4,614	4,401	-4.6
Manufacturing wages	\$000	19,954	22,641	13.5
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	271	258	-4.8
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	95,516	114,418	19.8
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	141,174	164,366	16.4
Value added	\$000	47,700	53,290	11.7
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	2,809	2,774	-1.2
Total salaries and wages	\$000	24,783	28,993	17.0
Total value added	\$000	48,609	53,908	10.9

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Fur Goods Industry*, 1976 (34-213, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Miscellaneous Machinery and Equipment Manufacturers

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 315		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	873	877	0.5
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	43,573	39,277	-9.9
Man-hours paid	000's	91,030	82,047	-9.9
Manufacturing wages	\$000	465,092	459,285	-1.2
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	17,040	21,474	26.0
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	1,223,676	1,182,492	-3.4
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	2,432,779	2,418,660	-0.6
Value added	\$000	1,227,889	1,234,577	0.5
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	62,221	58,817	-5.5
Total salaries and wages	\$000	706,982	738,147	4.4
Total value added	\$000	1,377,083	1,368,987	-0.6

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Machinery and Equipment Manufacturers*, 1976 (42-214, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Aircraft and Aircraft Parts Manufacturers

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 321		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	101	103	2.0
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	13,864	12,926	-6.8
Man-hours paid	000's	29,400	27,517	-6.4
Manufacturing wages	\$000	152,748	151,858	-0.6
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	6,976	7,725	10.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	311,921	262,085	-16.0
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	744,437	724,353	-2.7
Value added	\$000	425,539	454,543	6.8
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	22,289	21,215	-4.8
Total salaries and wages	\$000	273,425	281,875	3.1
Total value added	\$000	438,036	467,533	6.7

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Aircraft and Aircraft Parts Manufacturers* (42-203, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Non-commercial Trailer Manufacturers

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3242		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	128	124	-3.1
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	7,933	6,981	-12.0
Man-hours paid	000's	16,400	14,596	-11.0
Manufacturing wages	\$000	68,924	69,927	1.5
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	2,268	2,227	-1.8
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	305,777	288,502	-5.6
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	459,910	444,383	-3.4
Value added	\$000	157,547	159,277	1.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	9,385	8,253	-12.1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	88,328	89,172	1.0
Total value added	\$000	159,121	160,452	0.8

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Truck Body and Trailer Manufacturers, 1976* (42-217, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Sporting Goods Manufacturers

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3931		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	143	143	—
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	5,620	5,768	2.6
Man-hours paid	000's	11,513	12,119	5.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	40,903	49,686	21.5
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,789	2,293	28.2
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	90,731	109,400	20.6
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	190,166	218,515	14.9
Value added	\$000	95,425	116,593	22.2
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	6,880	7,272	5.7
Total salaries and wages	\$000	57,048	69,734	22.2
Total value added	\$000	107,956	132,376	22.6

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Sporting Goods and Toy Industries* (47-204, 70¢).

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Charlottetown, Fredericton, Moncton, Saint John and Sydney by calling the operator and asking for ZENITH 22066. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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Dairy Factory Production, April 1978 — Advance Information

Production of creamery butter increased 0.7% in April to 20.7 million pounds from 20.5 million pounds in April 1977. Cheddar cheese production increased 11.0% to 15.6 million pounds from 14.1 million pounds. Production of ice cream mix fell 13.8% to 2.4 million gallons from 2.8 million gallons.

For further information, order the April issue of *Dairy Factory Production* (32-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

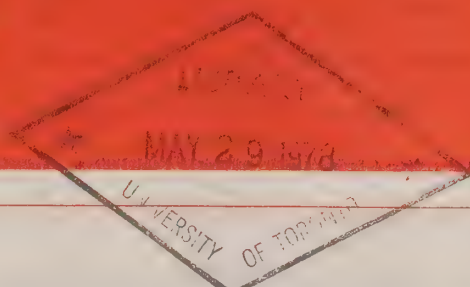
Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, May 1, 1978 — Advance Information

Cold storage holdings of creamery butter were up to 49.1 million pounds on May 1 compared with last year's corresponding total of 28.3 million, while stocks of cheddar cheese were down to 57.6 million pounds from 60.5 million. Stocks of skim milk powder decreased 69.1% to 63.6 million pounds while stocks of evaporated whole milk increased 48.8% to 17.4 million pounds.

For further information, order the May issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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Dwellings and Households — Occupied Private Dwellings by Structural Type and Tenure, 1976 Census of Canada (93-802, \$5.75)

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The Dairy Review, March 1978 (23-001, 40¢/\$4)

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Railway Operating Statistics, December 1977 (52-003, 30¢/\$3)

Cheques Cashed, March 1978 (61-001, 30¢/\$3)

Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather, March 1978 (33-001, 30¢/\$3)

Particle Board, March 1978 (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Rigid Insulating Board, March 1978 (36-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Stoves and Furnaces, March 1978 (41-005, 30¢/\$3)

Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products, March 1978 (41-006, 15¢/\$1.50)

Asphalt Roofing, March 1978 (45-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, March 1978 — Advance Information

The preliminary value of manufacturers' shipments in March, seasonally adjusted, was estimated at \$9,813.3 million, up 0.1% from the revised February level of \$9,806.0 million. Durable goods shipments were estimated at \$4,425.2 million, 1.1% lower than the revised February value of \$4,473.7 million while non-durable goods shipments rose 1.0% to \$5,388.1 million from \$5,332.3 million.

Seasonally-adjusted new orders in manufacturing industries were estimated at \$10,266.9 million, 1.5% higher than the revised February value of \$10,118.1 million. Durable goods new orders rose 2.6% to \$4,846.7 million from \$4,724.4 million and non-durable goods new orders increased 0.5% to \$5,420.2 million from \$5,393.7 million.

Seasonally-adjusted unfilled orders in March were estimated at \$11,642.8 million, up 4.1% from \$11,189.2 million (revised) in February.

Total inventory owned, seasonally adjusted, was estimated at \$18,849.0 million, 0.4% lower than the revised February value of \$18,934.1 million. Total inventory held decreased 0.2% to \$20,062.3 million from \$20,095.1 million with decreases of 0.9% and 1.2% in goods in process and finished products and an increase of 1.2% in raw materials.

The seasonally-adjusted ratio of total inventory to shipments was 1.92:1 in March compared to the revised February ratio of 1.93:1. The finished products to shipments ratio was 0.66:1 in March, down from 0.67:1 (revised).

Not adjusted for seasonal variation, manufacturers' shipments in March were estimated at \$10,368.5 million, an increase of 12.1% from the revised February value of \$9,253.4 million. Cumulative shipments for the first three months of 1978 at an estimated \$28,616.1 million were 10.7% higher than the January-March 1977 total of \$25,839.7 million.

For further information, order the March issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact H.D. Wightman (613-996-7008), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Census of Manufactures, 1976 — Advance Information

Preliminary figures from the 1976 Census of Manufactures show 29,052 establishments reported shipments of goods of their own manufacture valued at \$98,084 million, up 10.9% from \$88,460 million in 1975. The value of total shipments plus other revenues was reported at \$113,243 million for 1976, an increase of 10.8% over the 1975 total of \$102,178 million. As employers, these manufacturers provided work for 1.74 million people, unchanged from 1975, and paid out a total of \$21,794 million in salaries and wages, up 13.7% from \$19,161 million the previous year.

The accompanying tables show selected principal statistics broken down by province for all industries, and by major industry group for all Canada.

For further information, contact Mr. R. Staveley (613-996-4991), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. Complete data will be published later in *Manufacturing Industries of Canada: National and Provincial Areas, 1976* (31-203).

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Domestic Mobile Homes, First Quarter 1978 — Advance Information

Shipments of domestic mobile homes decreased to 1,350 single units in the March quarter from 2,034 in the first quarter of 1977. Shipments of double-wide units decreased to 341 from 474 a year earlier.

For further information, order the March issue of *Shipments of Domestic Mobile Homes* (46-017, 35¢/\$1.40), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Estimated Value of Shipments, Inventories and Orders in All Manufacturing Industries

(Based on 1974 Census of Manufacturers Benchmarks)

	Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
	Mar. 1978p	Feb. 1978r	Jan. 1978	Mar. 1977
	(\$ millions)			
Shipments: Total	10,368.5	9,253.4	8,994.2	9,626.9
Non-durable	5,532.8	5,069.1	4,850.4	5,028.8
Durable	4,835.6	4,184.3	4,143.8	4,598.1
New Orders: Total	10,777.6	9,600.6	9,246.5	9,856.9
Non-durable	5,601.8	5,129.2	4,860.7	5,047.4
Durable	5,175.8	4,471.5	4,385.8	4,809.6
Unfilled Orders: Total	11,720.6	11,311.4	10,964.1	10,421.5
Non-durable	1,619.0	1,550.0	1,489.9	1,448.8
Durable	10,101.6	9,761.4	9,474.2	8,972.7
Inventory Owned: Total	19,197.3	19,136.7	18,703.4	17,827.6
Inventory Held: Total	20,415.7	20,303.1	19,832.5	18,764.2
Raw materials	8,003.9	7,935.4	7,882.3	7,491.0
Goods in process	5,625.9	5,613.5	5,462.5	4,931.2
Finished Products	6,785.8	6,754.2	6,487.7	6,342.0
	Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Shipments: Total	9,813.3	9,806.0	9,659.3	9,019.3
Non-durable	5,388.1	5,332.3	5,209.0	4,810.9
Durable	4,425.2	4,473.7	4,450.3	4,208.4
New Orders: Total	10,266.9	10,118.1	9,860.2	9,314.1
Non-durable	5,420.2	5,393.7	5,199.1	4,796.9
Durable	4,846.7	4,724.4	4,661.1	4,517.2
Unfilled Orders: Total	11,642.8	11,189.2	10,877.1	10,391.7
Non-durable	1,608.4	1,576.3	1,514.9	1,450.0
Durable	10,034.4	9,612.9	9,362.2	8,941.7
Inventory Owned: Total	18,849.0	18,934.1	18,560.6	17,559.1
Inventory Held: Total	20,062.3	20,095.1	19,693.1	18,485.0
Raw materials	8,044.4	7,946.6	7,801.4	7,537.6
Goods in process	5,500.1	5,552.2	5,423.8	4,831.7
Finished products	6,517.8	6,596.3	6,467.9	6,115.7
Ratio of Total Inventory Owned to Shipments	1.92	1.93	1.92	1.95
Ratio of Finished Products to Shipments	0.66	0.67	0.67	0.68

Estimated Value of Shipments of Own Manufacture by Province of Origin

	Not Seasonally Adjusted					
	Mar. 1978p	Feb. 1978r	% change	Jan.-Mar. 1978	Jan.-Mar. 1977	% change
	(\$ millions)			(\$ millions)		
Newfoundland	64.5	48.6	32.8	163.3	136.8	19.4
Nova Scotia	209.2	198.0	5.7	595.9	517.7	15.1
New Brunswick	188.3	162.2	16.1	516.8	508.8	1.6
Quebec	2,707.4	2,456.7	10.2	7,538.3	6,632.0	13.7
Ontario	5,258.6	4,638.8	13.4	14,382.2	13,336.4	7.8
Manitoba	261.8	251.3	4.2	741.4	691.6	7.2
Saskatchewan	121.0	110.2	9.7	336.2	305.6	10.0
Alberta	580.3	512.7	13.2	1,610.1	1,351.2	19.2
British Columbia	964.5	863.3	11.7	2,695.1	2,333.2	15.5
Canada*	10,368.5	9,253.4	12.1	28,616.1	25,839.7	10.7

* Includes Prince Edward Island, the Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

NOTE: Figures may not add due to rounding.

1976 Census of Manufactures — Selected Principal Statistics of the Manufacturing Industries of Canada, by Province*

Province	No. of Establishments	Production and related workers			Manufacturing Activity		Value of shipments of goods of own manufacture	Value added
		Number	Man-hours paid '000	Wages	Cost of fuel and elec- tricity	Cost of materials and sup- plies used '000		
Newfoundland	249	11,388	24,274	125,360	30,486	302,471	599,084	243,297
Prince Edward Island	106	1,657	3,560	14,262	2,356	76,883	116,152	37,173
Nova Scotia	649	26,916	55,618	271,625	86,447	1,227,539	1,987,456	679,120
New Brunswick	526	23,210	49,101	247,193	95,435	1,186,867	1,860,595	584,052
Quebec	9,020	387,063	798,644	3,945,783	612,928	14,763,439	25,809,621	10,663,957
Ontario	11,879	616,932	1,285,482	7,261,728	1,056,613	28,672,694	49,644,516	20,357,589
Manitoba	1,171	40,401	82,774	414,188	64,754	1,633,712	2,772,543	1,104,573
Saskatchewan	612	13,673	28,288	160,712	29,850	754,522	1,213,350	446,399
Alberta	1,790	48,171	100,169	582,578	96,682	3,438,198	5,208,207	1,736,809
British Columbia	3,026	106,478	215,847	1,573,318	244,391	4,773,159	8,857,617	4,007,094
Yukon	6	46	97	464	21	1,368	2,039	639
Northwest Territories	18	181	379	1,914	286	7,166	12,416	5,095
Canada 1976	29,052	1,276,116	2,644,232	14,599,126	2,320,249	56,838,018	98,083,595	39,865,797
Canada 1975	30,100	1,272,051	2,613,549	12,672,237	1,805,666	51,177,157	88,460,358	36,139,301

	Working owners and partners	Administrative, office and other non-manufactur- ing employees		Total Activity		Total cost of materials, supplies and goods for re-sale \$'000	Total value of shipments and other revenue	Value added
		Number	Salaries \$'000	Total employees	Salaries and wages			
Newfoundland	70	2,862	39,093	14,250	164,454	386,082	700,442	261,044
Prince Edward Island	33	481	5,218	2,138	19,481	88,954	132,550	41,500
Nova Scotia	141	9,374	130,662	36,290	402,287	1,422,382	2,222,606	719,428
New Brunswick	102	6,964	92,717	30,174	339,911	1,333,634	2,049,401	626,091
Quebec	1,971	137,627	2,062,131	524,690	6,007,914	17,383,973	28,989,110	11,222,913
Ontario	2,265	235,706	3,719,239	852,638	10,980,966	36,890,749	59,602,828	22,097,846
Manitoba	252	13,897	187,254	54,298	601,442	1,936,863	3,139,287	1,168,167
Saskatchewan	112	5,023	70,931	18,696	231,643	833,594	1,315,323	469,301
Alberta	228	19,194	287,556	67,365	870,134	3,774,661	5,604,438	1,796,576
British Columbia	493	34,503	599,627	140,981	2,172,945	5,293,520	9,470,975	4,100,092
Yukon	3	19	250	65	714	1,435	2,153	687
Northwest Territories	7	34	525	215	2,438	7,900	14,168	6,112
Canada 1976	5,677	465,684	7,195,203	1,741,800	21,794,329	69,353,746	113,243,282	42,509,756
Canada 1975	6,977	469,494	6,488,487	1,741,545	19,160,724	62,381,833	102,178,371	38,715,600

* Preliminary figures.

For further information, contact Mr. D. Wilson (613-996-4991), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. Complete data will be published later in *Manufacturing Industries of Canada: National and Provincial Areas, 1975* (31-203, \$2.80).

1976 Census of Manufactures — Selected Principal Statistics of the Manufacturing Industries of Canada, by Major Group*

	No. of Establish- ments	Production and related workers			Manufacturing Activity		Value of shipments of goods of own manu- facture	Value added
		Number	Man- hours paid '000	Wages	Cost of fuel and elec- tricity	Cost of materials and sup- plies used '000		
Food and Beverage Ind.	4,521	146,584	308,579	1,615,968	231,597	11,659,831	17,299,689	5,487,932
Tobacco Products Ind.	24	6,125	11,649	79,035	4,248	528,395	886,283	381,551
Rubber and Plastics Products Ind.	776	41,577	85,644	426,252	44,963	1,160,479	2,313,756	1,108,806
Leather Industries	405	22,843	46,640	177,229	5,665	358,606	696,185	347,770
Textile Industries	891	53,950	112,078	482,384	57,936	1,495,956	2,707,505	1,175,008
Knitting Mills	286	20,724	42,760	152,061	6,992	325,852	631,250	301,684
Clothing Industries	2,018	90,159	178,342	651,921	9,445	1,343,932	2,570,281	1,258,816
Wood Industries	2,702	89,735	187,338	1,096,383	104,972	2,768,527	4,994,914	2,205,585
Furniture and Fixture Ind.	1,752	40,054	85,686	364,381	14,040	714,268	1,467,667	760,882
Paper and Allied Ind.	661	98,335	203,620	1,380,745	571,739	4,038,478	8,228,695	3,773,524
Printing, Publishing and Allied Industries	3,427	54,965	108,995	653,694	19,318	1,144,772	3,240,301	2,084,377
Primary Metal Industries	382	88,939	182,119	1,241,893	375,938	3,785,745	7,029,031	2,968,137
Metal Fabricating Ind. ¹	3,927	117,973	247,212	1,390,795	77,095	3,381,934	6,803,443	3,407,919
Machinery Industries	1,111	59,455	124,330	719,377	34,621	2,061,897	3,885,045	1,822,443
Transportation Equipment Ind.	967	123,661	260,548	1,690,880	99,601	8,879,604	13,002,208	4,070,152
Electrical Products Ind.	809	80,026	165,176	850,260	41,522	2,312,346	4,733,103	2,417,685
Non-Metallic Mineral Products Industries	1,182	41,274	87,024	529,706	214,425	1,093,503	2,841,318	1,563,521
Petroleum and Coal Products Ind.	98	7,099	15,246	127,594	65,463	5,919,408	6,922,798	1,017,211
Chemical and Chemical Products Industries	1,040	43,126	90,475	541,891	321,589	2,859,644	5,704,315	2,591,532
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Ind.	2,073	49,512	100,771	426,679	19,080	1,004,842	2,125,808	1,121,262
Total	29,052	1,276,116	2,644,232	14,599,126	2,320,249	56,838,018	98,083,595	39,865,797

	Working owners and partners	Administrative office and other non-manufactur- ing employees		Total employees		Total cost of materials, supplies and goods for re-sale \$'000	Total value of shipments and other revenue	Value added
		Number	Salaries \$'000	Number	Salaries and wages			
Food and Beverage Ind.	1,390	73,609	1,014,194	220,193	2,630,162	13,774,093	19,811,053	5,885,035
Tobacco Products Ind.	3	2,960	46,708	9,085	125,744	546,208	906,164	383,619
Rubber and Plastics Products Ind.	46	13,736	196,265	55,313	622,516	1,418,495	2,632,806	1,169,840
Leather Industries	55	3,618	49,602	26,461	226,831	414,569	767,786	363,407
Textile Industries	184	14,259	200,362	68,209	682,746	1,653,271	2,896,172	1,206,360
Knitting Mills	18	2,801	40,887	23,525	192,949	338,858	644,716	302,145
Clothing Industries	429	11,560	175,193	101,719	827,113	1,484,632	2,764,587	1,312,422
Wood Industries	806	16,196	254,759	105,931	1,351,142	2,949,588	5,204,832	2,234,442
Furniture and Fixture Ind.	696	7,820	109,770	47,874	474,151	775,227	1,539,144	771,399
Paper and Allied Ind.	23	31,872	557,104	130,207	1,937,848	4,488,218	8,749,052	3,844,141
Printing, Publishing and Allied Industries	724	38,581	517,767	93,546	1,171,461	1,233,547	3,358,029	2,113,331
Primary Metal Industries	21	28,102	511,236	117,041	1,753,128	4,570,555	7,872,974	3,027,268
Metal Fabricating Ind.	472	34,198	535,884	152,171	1,926,679	3,882,885	7,459,729	3,563,254
Machinery Industries	67	29,746	432,451	89,201	1,151,828	2,638,755	4,728,497	2,089,036
Transportation Equipment Ind.	100	38,565	669,676	162,226	2,360,557	13,552,845	18,331,424	4,726,128
Electrical Products Ind.	22	41,612	636,246	121,638	1,486,506	3,247,896	5,994,492	2,743,523
Non-Metallic Mineral Products Industries	135	13,730	217,723	55,004	747,428	1,332,113	3,143,689	1,627,283
Petroleum and Coal Products Ind.	—	9,590	192,722	16,689	320,316	6,089,542	7,099,921	1,024,200
Chemical and Chemical Products Industries	29	36,268	588,439	79,394	1,130,330	3,703,359	6,788,811	2,832,314
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Ind.	457	16,861	248,214	66,373	674,893	1,259,090	2,549,402	1,290,609
Total	5,677	465,684	7,195,203	1,741,800	21,794,329	69,353,746	113,243,282	42,509,756

*Preliminary figures

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending May 7

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	1,815,566	2,239,868	4,055,434
Short tons, 1977	2,954,763	2,392,949	5,347,712
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 647 054	2 031 974	3 679 028
Metric tonnes, 1977	2 680 516	2 170 847	4 851 363
% change	-38.6	-6.4	-24.2
Cars, 1978	33,678	33,991	67,669
Cars, 1977	45,360	36,101	81,461
% change	-25.8	-5.8	-16.9
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	157,774	59,361	217,135
Short tons, 1977	175,256	58,633	233,889
Metric tonnes, 1978	143 130	53 851	196 981
Metric tonnes, 1977	158 990	53 191	212 181
% change	-10.0	1.2	-7.2
Cars, 1978	4,870	2,441	7,311
Cars, 1977	5,421	2,514	7,935
% change	-10.2	-2.9	-7.9
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	38,763,901	38,171,658	76,935,559
Short tons, 1977	43,794,977	37,507,547	81,302,524
Metric tonnes, 1978	35 166 019	34 628 746	69 794 765
Metric tonnes, 1977	39 730 135	34 026 274	73 756 409
% change	-11.5	1.8	-5.4
Cars, 1978	663,002	574,086	1,237,088
Cars, 1977	718,671	567,827	1,286,498
% change	-7.7	1.1	-3.8
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	2,996,164	1,075,911	4,072,075
Short tons, 1977	2,859,738	1,037,828	3,897,566
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 718 074	976 050	3 694 124
Metric tonnes, 1977	2 594 311	941 502	3 535 813
% change	4.8	3.7	4.5
Cars, 1978	90,068	43,435	133,503
Cars, 1977	87,167	44,724	131,891
% change	3.3	-2.9	1.2

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1977 figures have been revised — 1978 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended May 7, 1978 — Published Only in the Daily

Rail freight loaded in the above seven days totalled 3.7 million t (4.1 million short tons), a decline of 24.2% from the first week of May 1977. Loadings in the East again reflected the effects of strikes at iron ore mines in Quebec and Newfoundland, dropping 38.6%. West of the Lakehead loadings were 6.4% below the year-earlier level.

Trailer-container (piggyback) shipments declined 7.2% over-all with the East recording a 10.0% loss of traffic and the West posting an increase of 1.2%.

In the January 1 to May 7, 1978 period, freight loaded by railways totalled 69.8 million t (76.9 million short tons), a decline of 5.4% from 1977. Trailer-container (piggyback) traffic increased 4.5%.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Mink Production, 1977 — Advance Information

Preliminary information on 1977 mink production at fur farms is available for all provinces except Ontario. The total number of pelts produced (excluding Ontario) was 529,187 compared with 497,335 in 1976.

For further information, contact J.H. Dickson (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Selected Principal Statistics for Confectionery Manufacturers

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1081		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	93	94	—
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	6,865	6,701	-2.4
Man-hours paid	000's	14,144	13,792	-2.5
Manufacturing wages	\$000	53,370	60,303	13.0
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	3,838	4,911	28.0
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	236,459	243,755	3.1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	441,550	489,260	10.8
Value added	\$000	207,663	243,420	17.2
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	9,399	9,219	-1.9
Total salaries and wages	\$000	83,665	93,694	12.0
Total value added	\$000	214,340	251,167	17.2

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Confectionery Manufacturers, 1976* (32-213, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Canvas Products Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1872		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	146	144	-1.4
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	1,925	1,739	-9.7
Man-hours paid	000's	3,953	3,488	-11.8
Manufacturing wages	\$000	13,118	12,210	-6.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	383	474	23.8
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	30,709	31,544	2.7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	60,765	60,113	-1.1
Value added	\$000	29,349	28,426	-3.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	2,394	2,117	-11.6
Total salaries and wages	\$000	18,520	17,149	-7.4
Total value added	\$000	31,606	31,013	-1.9

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Canvas Products and Cotton and Jute Bags Industries, 1976* (34-202, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Instruments and Related Products Manufacturing Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3911		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	146	136	-6.8
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	6,779	6,896	1.7
Man-hours paid	000's	13,890	14,073	1.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	65,531	73,280	11.8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	2,906	3,530	21.5
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	176,795	199,458	12.8
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	414,416	473,062	14.2
Value added	\$000	241,371	277,809	15.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	11,961	12,227	2.2
Total salaries and wages	\$000	141,020	161,105	14.2
Total value added	\$000	277,933	319,068	14.8

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Scientific and Professional Equipment Industries, 1976* (47-206, \$1.05).

Selected Principal Statistics for Boatbuilding and Repair

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 328		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	239	215	-10.0
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	3,290	2,965	-9.9
Man-hours paid	000's	6,715	6,106	-9.1
Manufacturing wages	\$000	27,774	28,101	1.2
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	821	969	18.0
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	60,948	58,913	-3.3
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	109,774	109,106	-0.6
Value added	\$000	50,037	51,243	2.4
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	3,781	3,371	-10.8
Total salaries and wages	\$000	33,793	34,008	0.6
Total value added	\$000	51,198	53,302	4.1

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Boatbuilding and Repair*, 1976 (42-205, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Miscellaneous Leather Products Manufacturers

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1799		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	156	152	-2.6
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	4,147	4,155	0.2
Man-hours paid	000's	8,347	8,454	1.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	27,401	29,856	9.0
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	559	652	16.6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	46,299	52,792	14.0
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	102,140	110,156	7.8
Value added	\$000	55,467	58,873	6.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	4,738	4,736	—
Total salaries and wages	\$000	35,287	38,316	8.6
Total value added	\$000	57,627	64,014	11.1

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Leather Products Manufacturers*, 1976 (33-205, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Fish Products Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1020		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	325	319	-1.8
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	14,223	16,695	17.4
Man-hours paid	000's	30,149	35,494	17.7
Manufacturing wages	\$000	109,955	148,743	35.3
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	12,232	13,809	12.9
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	335,863	470,251	40.0
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	579,090	742,002	28.1
Value added	\$000	205,680	285,272	38.7
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	16,987	19,568	15.2
Total salaries and wages	\$000	140,787	185,290	31.6
Total value added	\$000	239,485	336,888	40.7

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Fish Products Industry*, 1976 (32-216, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Furniture Re-upholstery and Repair Shops,

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2611		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	742	610	-17.8
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,337	2,264	-3.1
Man-hours paid	000's	4,884	4,693	-3.9
Manufacturing wages	\$000	15,396	16,246	5.5
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	N/A	N/A	N/A
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	27,027	28,294	4.7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	51,253	50,731	-1.0
Value added	\$000	24,226	22,437	-7.4
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	2,337	2,264	-3.1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	15,396	16,246	5.5
Total value added	\$000	24,226	22,437	-7.4

For further information, contact Mr. G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Household Furniture Manufacturers*, 1976 (35-211, \$1.05).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Textile Dyeing and Finishing Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

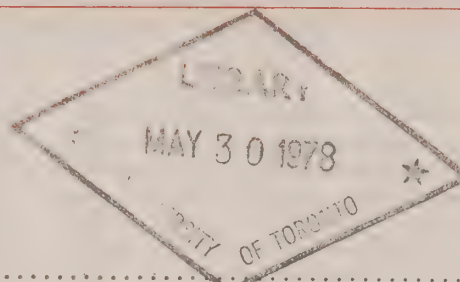
S.I.C. 1894		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	74	74	0
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	3,687	3,341	-9.4
Man-hours paid	000's	7,627	6,908	-9.4
Manufacturing wages	\$000	25,553	26,961	5.5
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	4,100	4,871	18.8
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	39,592	30,432	-23.1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	90,488	95,323	5.3
Value added	\$000	47,492	57,430	20.9
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	4,158	3,757	-9.6
Total salaries and wages	\$000	31,404	32,750	4.3
Total value added	\$000	47,297	57,500	21.6

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Textile Industries*, 1976 (34-210, \$1.05).

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Iron Ore, March 1978 (26-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

Gold Production, March 1978 (26-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Production of Canada's Leading Minerals, March 1978 (26-007, 15¢/\$1.50)

Consumption, Production and Inventories of Rubber, March 1978 (33-003, 30¢/\$3)

Production and Sales of Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes in Canada, March 1978 (47-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletin:

Water Transport (54-003, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 8, No. 4, Cargo Loaded and Unloaded in Coastwise Shipping by Vessels of Foreign Registries, January-March 1978 and 1977

Retail Trade, March 1978 — Advance Information

Total retail sales for March reached \$5,333.2 million, an increase of 13.0% over March 1977. Sales rose in 25 of the 28 trade groups; the most significant percentage gains were recorded for the food trade group (21.8%), service stations and garages (12.1%), motor vehicle dealers (7.0%) and department stores (10.4%). Sales declines occurred in specialty shoe stores (-12.2%), family shoe stores (-0.6%) and for furniture, T.V., radio and appliance stores (-7.5%).

All provinces showed sales increases from March 1977, ranging from 10.0% for Manitoba to 18.1% for Alberta. Montreal sales rose 10.7%; Toronto 12.3%; Winnipeg 13.5%; and Vancouver 15.8%.

Revised total retail sales for February were \$4,485.2 million, up 10.9% from February 1977.

Seasonally-adjusted retail sales for March were \$5,572.0 million, an increase of 0.6% from the \$5,540.0 million recorded in February. Sales rose in 16 of the 28 trade groups with the more significant percentage gains posted by the food trade group (2.6%), general stores (3.5%), variety stores (11.2%), and furniture, T.V., radio and appliance stores (8.4%). Decreases were registered for department stores (-2.0%), general merchandise stores (-2.7%), the clothing and shoe groups (-2.4%) and sporting goods stores (-9.7%). There were gains in most provinces, but adjusted sales declined in Quebec and the Atlantic Provinces (except in New Brunswick, where sales advanced 0.7% over the month).

For further information, order the March issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Building Permits, February 1978 — Advance Information

The value of proposed construction as reflected by preliminary figures of building permits issued decreased in February to a seasonally-adjusted level of \$893 million from a revised \$1,035 million in January. In February 1977, the total was \$983 million.

Residential permits which totalled \$609 million in January continued their downward movement in February and reached a two-year low of \$539 million, seasonally adjusted. Both single-detached and multiple dwellings decreased during the month; the actual

number of detached homes authorized was 4,038 while the number of dwellings in multiple unit structures was only 5,502. When adjusted for seasonal variations, these figures represent rates of 7,118 homes and 7,727 collective dwellings compared to 9,655 and 9,212 in January.

Non-residential permits, which had shown relative strength in January (\$425 million), declined in February to \$355 million. The value of new commercial projects decreased to a seasonally-adjusted \$159 million (\$175 million in January) and government-initiated projects decreased to \$111 million from \$158 million. Permits for new industrial installations, estimated at \$85 million, changed only slightly from January (\$92 million).

Returns from municipalities for the month of March show a further weakening in housing expenditure intentions and indicate little change for the non-residential construction sector.

For further information, order the February issue of *Building Permits* (64-001, 70¢/\$7), or contact Mr. J.P. Delisle (613-994-9312), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

(see tables on pages 3-4)

Domestic Air Passenger Origin and Destination, Fourth Quarter 1977 — Advance Information

Advance data from the fourth quarter 1977 *Domestic Air Passenger Origin and Destination* report are now available.

For further information, contact Mrs. J.C. Tessier (819-997-1986), Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, May 1, 1978 — Advance Information

Total frozen meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of May amounted to 104.2 million pounds compared with 95.4 million last month and 129.6 million a year earlier.

For further information, order the May issue of *Stocks of Frozen Meat Products* (32-012, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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February 1978

	Number of Dwelling Units			Value of Residential and Non-Residential Construction				
	Singles	Multiples	Total	Residen- tial (\$000)	Indus- trial	Commer- cial	Institu- tional and govern- mental	Total
Newfoundland	15	64	79	1,855	60	477	1,521	3,913
Prince Edward Island	28	2	30	970	128	856	—	1,954
Nova Scotia	120	94	214	6,642	267	1,345	9,285	17,539
New Brunswick	36	13	49	1,977	2,083	4,107	1,063	9,230
Quebec	958	920	1,878	55,808	5,157	18,771	5,948	85,684
Ontario	685	2,431	3,116	110,748	22,702	42,105	21,201	196,756
Manitoba	181	294	475	15,576	843	7,556	18,683	42,658
Saskatchewan	136	132	268	8,929	729	4,528	4,233	18,419
Alberta	944	1,248	2,192	72,142	7,663	34,621	7,342	121,768
British Columbia	934	302	1,236	49,116	5,976	20,554	7,029	82,675
Yukon	1	2	3	179	—	910	—	1,089
Northwest Territories	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Canada — Unadjusted	4,038	5,502	9,540	323,942	45,608	135,830	76,305	581,685
Canada — Adjusted	7,118	7,727	14,845	538,948	84,868	158,661	110,973	893,450
Metropolitan Areas	2,413	4,763	7,176	243,157	31,756	89,018	54,233	418,164
Calgary	237	643	880	25,578	498	17,770	2,642	46,488
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	24	71	95	2,224	251	563	—	3,038
Edmonton	318	241	559	23,289	5,532	4,553	2,772	36,146
Halifax	57	82	139	4,234	158	673	2,222	7,287
Hamilton	35	10	45	1,910	2,390	1,881	177	6,358
Hull	23	—	23	730	—	615	30	1,375
Kitchener	30	21	51	2,282	992	918	169	4,361
London	31	92	123	2,886	576	1,883	—	5,345
Montreal	357	687	1,044	29,489	1,253	5,647	2,074	38,463
Oshawa	14	6	20	764	996	22	—	1,782
Ottawa	58	569	627	17,893	56	1,351	1,162	20,462
Quebec	193	64	257	9,216	141	4,668	1,047	15,072
Regina	39	61	100	3,579	634	1,003	4,208	9,424
St. Catharines-Niagara	52	9	61	2,383	336	1,443	92	4,254
Saint John	6	—	6	365	303	356	20	1,044
St. John's	10	64	74	1,687	—	265	—	1,952
Saskatoon	65	68	133	3,840	5	2,567	25	6,437
Sudbury	4	—	4	267	—	1,879	260	2,406
Thunder Bay	10	10	20	731	12	580	2,361	3,684
Toronto	248	1,438	1,686	65,760	11,177	21,585	13,290	111,812
Vancouver	361	180	541	19,798	4,566	9,330	359	34,053
Victoria	53	57	110	5,049	349	1,717	1,235	8,350
Windsor	31	114	145	5,004	738	312	1,405	7,459
Winnipeg	157	276	433	14,199	793	7,437	18,683	41,112

Preliminary figures.

For further information order *Building Permits* (64-001, 70¢/\$7).**Potash Mines, 1976 — Advance Information**

Total value added in potash mines in 1976 was \$262,052,426, a decrease of 12% from \$298,470,870 in 1975.

For further information, order the 1976 issue of *Potash Mines* (26-222, 70¢), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Iron Mines, 1976 — Advance Information

Total value added in iron mines in 1976 was \$732,118,239, an increase of 32% over \$556,710,105 in 1975.

For further information, order the 1976 issue of *Iron Mines* (26-210, 70¢), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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(million of dollars)

		1977					1978				
		Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total	Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total
Canada —	Jan.	261.6	42.5	116.5	59.9	480.5	279.4	48.0	116.2	92.2	537.8
Unadjusted	Feb.	353.6	49.9	174.6	67.4	645.5	324.0	45.6	135.8	76.3	581.7
Canada —	Jan.	585.2	84.5	190.9	106.3	966.9	609.3	92.0	175.2	158.1	1,034.6
Adjusted	Feb.	585.1	93.8	205.3	98.9	983.1	538.9	84.9	158.7	111.0	893.5
Canada Jan.-Feb. 1978											
Unadjusted		615.2	92.4	291.1	127.3	1,126.0	603.4	93.6	252.0	170.5	1,119.5
Newfoundland		1.9	.1	4.5	.2	6.7	3.0	.1	2.2	1.6	6.9
Prince Edward Island		1.7	1.3	.2	.1	3.3	2.2	.3	.9	2.5	5.9
Nova Scotia		11.4	.3	2.5	4.7	18.9	15.2	.4	2.6	11.7	29.9
New Brunswick		3.1	.5	7.3	1.5	12.4	2.7	3.2	5.1	1.5	12.5
Quebec		118.6	21.2	38.6	19.4	197.8	87.5	11.5	31.0	22.0	152.0
Ontario		172.8	41.1	102.1	37.0	353.0	170.4	48.2	75.7	29.8	324.1
Manitoba		28.9	1.0	7.3	9.1	46.3	29.0	1.4	11.2	23.0	64.6
Saskatchewan		23.9	4.5	14.4	3.8	46.6	25.8	.8	9.5	10.0	46.1
Alberta		114.0	11.7	55.0	23.2	203.9	168.5	17.8	59.4	53.3	299.0
British Columbia		137.4	10.6	59.2	28.3	235.5	98.4	9.9	53.3	15.1	176.7
Northwest Territories		1.5	.1	.0	.0	1.6	.7	.0	1.1	.0	1.8

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Lighting Fixtures

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 333		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	68	70	2.9
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,986	2,851	-4.5
Man-hours paid	000's	6,185	5,828	-5.8
Manufacturing wages	\$000	23,096	25,032	8.4
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,121	1,173	4.6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	90,311	89,434	-1.0
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	159,450	162,906	2.2
Value added	\$000	69,368	72,765	4.9
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	3,980	3,855	-3.1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	35,796	39,496	10.3
Total value added	\$000	72,191	76,639	6.2

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Lighting Fixtures*, 1976 (43-211, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Women's Clothing Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2441		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	585	566	-3.2
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	25,899	26,756	3.3
Man-hours paid	000's	49,521	51,326	3.6
Manufacturing wages	\$000	167,454	188,985	12.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	2,096	2,651	26.5
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	481,515	512,557	6.5
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	847,015	913,510	7.9
Value added	\$000	369,523	407,594	10.3
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	30,147	30,292	0.5
Total salaries and wages	\$000	221,525	246,253	11.2
Total value added	\$000	383,219	428,715	11.9

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Women's and Children's Clothing Industries*, 1976 (34-217, \$1.05).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Dairy Products Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1040		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	519	491	-5.4
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	13,780	13,626	-5.4
Man-hours paid	000's	29,499	29,033	-1.6
Manufacturing wages	\$000	141,454	158,403	12.0
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	36,111	39,652	9.8
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	2,026,277	2,131,085	5.2
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	2,612,789	2,811,178	7.6
Value added	\$000	576,693	637,593	10.6
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	27,988	26,280	-6.1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	304,905	323,548	6.1
Total value added	\$000	631,318	700,772	11.0

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Dairy Products Industry*, 1976 (32-209, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Soft Drink Manufacturers

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1091		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	288	272	-5.5
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	6,432	6,932	7.8
Man-hours paid	000's	13,318	14,847	11.5
Manufacturing wages	\$000	61,479	79,139	28.7
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	8,995	10,941	21.6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	398,346	390,554	-1.9
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	732,530	751,382	2.6
Value added	\$000	325,603	351,510	8.0
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	13,808	14,296	3.5
Total salaries and wages	\$000	146,268	180,723	23.6
Total value added	\$000	359,683	395,419	9.9

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Soft Drink Manufacturers*, 1976 (32-208, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Embroidery, Pleating and Hemstitching Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1893		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	97	90	-7.2
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	1,647	1,166	-29.2
Man-hours paid	000's	3,320	2,395	-27.9
Manufacturing wages	\$000	10,488	8,584	-18.1
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	112	95	-15.2
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	15,029	15,029	—
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	21,451	22,027	2.7
Value added	\$000	15,141	15,124	-0.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	1,807	1,307	-27.7
Total salaries and wages	\$000	12,724	10,531	-17.2
Total value added	\$000	15,287	15,100	-1.2

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Textile Industries*, 1976 (34-210, \$1.05).

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Receipts and Payments on International Travel

1977-1978(1)

	I	II	1977 III	IV	Year	1978p I
United States						
Receipts	140	403	756	226	1,525	144
Payments	671	579	653	377	2,280	752
Balance	-531	-176	103	-151	-755	-608
All Other Countries						
Receipts	52	139	223	86	500	60
Payments	361	315	448	262	1,386	370
Balance	-309	-176	-225	-176	-886	-310
Total All Countries						
Receipts	192	542	979	312	2,025	204
Payments	1,032	894	1,101	639	3,666	1,122
Balance	-840	-352	-122	-327	-1,641	-918

p Preliminary estimates

(1) Includes international fare payments.

For further information, order the January-March issue of *Travel Between Canada and Other Countries* (66-001, \$1.75/\$7), or contact Mr. Mike Valiquette (613-995-0847), International Travel Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

International Travel Receipts and Payments, 1977 (Final) and First Quarter 1978 — Advance Information

Final estimates for 1977 show that Canada earned \$2,025 million from international travel, up 4.9% from 1976, while Canadians travelling abroad spent \$3,666 million, 17.5% above 1976. This resulted in a deficit of \$1,641 million on international travel.

Receipts from the United States reached \$1,525 million, up 13.3% over 1976, while those from other countries totalled \$500 million, 14.4% lower than the Olympic year of 1976. Payments to the U.S. amounted to \$2,280 million, up 16.6% from the previous year while those to other countries equalled \$1,386 million, an increase of 19.0% over 1976.

Preliminary estimates for the first quarter of 1978 show that Canada earned \$204 million from international travel while Canadians travelling abroad spent \$1,122 million, leading to a deficit of \$918 million. (In the analysis of these data, it should be noted that Easter was celebrated in March this year but in April last year.)

Canada received \$144 million from the 4.1 million U.S. visitors in the first quarter of 1978, while expenditures of \$752 million were attributed to the 7.6 million Canadians visiting the U.S. This resulted in an estimated deficit of \$608 million with the U.S. Receipts from countries other than the U.S. reached \$60 million when 135,100 visitors entered Canada, while the 544,300 Canadians travelling in these countries contributed to payments of \$370 million, resulting in an estimated deficit of \$310 million with countries other than the U.S.

Data users should note that all the above figures include international fare payments.

For further information, order the January-March issue of *Travel Between Canada and Other Countries* (66-001, \$1.75/\$7), or contact Mr. M.W. Valiquette (613-995-0847), International Travel Section, Financial Flows and Multinational Enterprises Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, May 1, 1978 — Advance Information

Stocks of fruits, frozen and in preservatives, in storages and factories on May 1 totalled 30.3 million pounds compared with 26.3 million last year. Holdings of vegetables, frozen and in brine, totalled 78.1 million pounds (85.3 million in 1977).

For further information, order the May issue of *Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables* (32-010, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Production and Shipments of Plastic Bottles, First Quarter 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 161,212,000 plastic bottles in the March quarter, up from 149,867,000 in January-March 1977. Shipments of plastic bottles (excluding intra-company transfers) rose to 124,945,000 from 116,839,000. Shipments were valued f.o.b. plant at \$12,737,000 in 1978 compared to \$10,335,000 in 1977.

For further information, order the March issue of *Rubber and Plastic Products Industries Service Bulletin* (47-002, \$1.40 a year), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Selected Principal Statistics for the Fruit and Vegetable Canners and Preservers Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1031		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	208	208	—
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	11,726	10,681	-8.9
Man-hours paid	000's	24,469	22,496	-8.1
Manufacturing wages	\$000	91,103	94,524	3.8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	9,276	10,771	16.1
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	500,075	500,787	0.1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	791,096	832,997	5.3
Value added	\$000	309,572	326,547	5.5
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	15,607	14,455	-7.4
Total salaries and wages	\$000	137,541	146,228	6.3
Total value added	\$000	334,244	361,686	8.2

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Fruit and Vegetable Processing Industries*, 1976 (32-218, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Wooden Box Factories Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	179	166	-6.3
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	3,233	2,938	-9.1
Man-hours paid	000's	6,846	6,216	-9.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	25,612	25,735	0.5
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,427	1,597	11.9
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	57,131	56,532	-1.0
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	109,903	111,119	1.1
Value added	\$000	51,624	53,071	2.8
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	3,752	3,430	-8.6
Total salaries and wages	\$000	33,386	32,950	-1.3
Total value added	\$000	51,521	52,826	2.5

For further information, contact C.F. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Wooden Box Factories*, 1976 (35-209, 70¢).

Steel Ingots, Week Ended May 20, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended May 20 was 305,732 short tons (277 355 t), a decrease of 4.7% from the preceding week's total of 320,671 short tons (290 908 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was 284,509 short tons (258 102 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 166.9 in the current week, 175.0 a week earlier and 155.3 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, April 1978 (62-009, 30¢/\$3)

The consumer price index for each regional city measures price change from one time-period to another within that specific city. Thus, while city CPI's show the movement of prices in each city, they do not indicate price-level differences between cities. Some such inter-city price comparisons are published separately; for references see footnote to ensuing tables.

From March to April, consumer price indexes rose in 11 regional cities and declined in three others. Movements ranged from a 0.5% decline in Winnipeg to a 0.6% increase in Regina and Edmonton. Higher food prices, notably for beef, other meat, chicken and fresh produce were largely responsible for the advances. Also having a notable impact were higher postal rates, air fares, automobile labour repair charges and, in many provinces, increased prices for tobacco and alcohol products. These increases were partially (in some cases, more than) offset by the varying provincial sales tax reductions effected in the earlier half of the month of April.

St. John's

All items: March to April 1978, up 0.5%; April 1977 to April 1978, up 7.8%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, chicken, fresh produce and bread. Higher postal rates; increased prices for cigarettes and liquor. These increases were partially offset by sales tax reductions.

Halifax

All items: March to April 1978, up 0.5%; April 1977 to April 1978, up 7.1%.

Main contributors: higher prices for fresh produce, beef and chicken. Higher postal rates. Lower sales taxes dampened the impact of these increases.

Saint John

All items: March to April 1978, up 0.6%; April 1977 to April 1978, up 7.5%.

Main contributors: increased prices for fresh produce, beef and pork; higher postal rates and increased tobacco and alcohol prices. These increases were to some extent offset by lower sales taxes.

Quebec City

All items: March to April 1978, down 0.1%; April 1977 to April 1978, up 7.8%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, poultry and fresh fruit; increased postal rates and cigarette prices. These increases were more than offset by the sales tax removals on clothing and furniture.

Montreal

All items: March to April 1978, down 0.2%; April 1977 to April 1978, up 8.1%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, other meats, chicken and fresh fruit; increased postal rates and beer prices. Removal of sales taxes on clothing and furniture more than offset these increases.

Ottawa

All items: March to April 1978, up 0.2%; April 1977 to April 1978, up 8.0%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, chicken, fresh vegetables and bread; increased prices for alcoholic beverages and higher postal rates. Sales tax reductions partially dampened the impact of these increases.

Toronto

All items: March to April 1978, up 0.3%; April 1977 to April 1978, up 7.9%.

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Main contributors: higher prices for beef, other meats and fresh vegetables. Postal rates and domestic gas rates up. Beer and liquor prices also up. Sales tax reductions softened the impact of these price increases.

Thunder Bay

All items: March to April 1978, up 0.3%; April 1977 to April 1978, up 7.7%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, other meats, chicken, fresh milk and bread. Increased postal rates. Sales tax reductions lowered the effect of these increases.

Winnipeg

All items: March to April 1978, down 0.5%; April 1977 to April 1978, up 7.6%.

Main contributors: prices up for beef, other meat, fresh milk and alcoholic beverages. Lower sales taxes more than offset these increases.

Saskatoon

All items: March to April 1978, up 0.5%; April 1977 to April 1978, up 7.9%.

Main contributors: increased prices for beef, bread and fresh fruit; higher prices for alcoholic beverages. Postage and telephone rates increased. Sales tax reductions dampened the impact of these price rises.

Regina

All items: March to April 1978, up 0.6%; April 1977 to April 1978, up 9.5%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, other meats, chicken and fresh fruit; increased prices for alcoholic beverages. Higher telephone and postal rates. Lower sales taxes softened the impact of these increases.

Edmonton

All items: March to April 1978, up 0.6%; April 1977 to April 1978, up 8.8%.

Main contributors: increased prices for beef and fresh produce; increased electricity and postal rates and higher local transit fares. Gasoline prices declined.

Calgary

All items: March to April 1978, up 0.3%; April 1977 to April 1978, up 7.9%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, fresh produce, chicken and bread. Higher postal rates. Automobile repair charges up while gasoline prices declined.

Vancouver

All items: March to April 1978, up 0.4%; April 1977 to April 1978, up 7.3%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, other meats, fresh produce and bread; increased prices for cigarettes and beer. Postage and electricity rates were up. Lower sales taxes reduced the impact of these increases.

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\$33.0 million for other consumer goods, \$113.1 million for commercial vehicles and \$55.5 million for other commercial and industrial goods.

Wholesale financing undertaken by these companies during the fourth quarter of 1977 amounted to \$2,135.1 million, an increase of 6.0% over the \$2,013.9 million financed in October-December 1976.

For further information, order the March issue of *Sales Financing* (63-013, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3583), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Note to CPI Users

Users of the CPI are advised that the revision of the CPI will not be available for the June reference month as previously announced. The delay is the result of technical problems which have been encountered in the new CPI production system. Statistics Canada will advise users of the new month of introduction of the revision once these difficulties have been resolved and regrets any inconvenience that may be caused by this delay.

Sales Financing, March 1978 — Advance Information

Sales finance companies purchased \$265.1 million of retail finance paper in March, an increase of 14.9% from the \$230.8 million purchased in March 1977. Total purchases comprised \$63.5 million for passenger cars,

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.**

	All items	Food	Hous- ing	Cloth- ing	Trans- porta- tion (1971 100)	Health and personal care	Recre- ation education and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
St. John's								
April 1978 index	175.5	211.7	172.5	142.1	164.3	169.1	139.9	154.2
March 1978 index	174.6	207.8	172.9	141.2	164.7	169.5	140.8	151.9
% change from March 1978	0.5	1.9	-0.2	0.6	-0.2	-0.2	-0.6	1.5
% change from April 1977	7.8	12.2	7.5	6.3	4.1	4.7	2.6	7.2
Halifax								
April 1978 index	165.4	197.0	161.8	137.8	161.9	154.1	138.8	143.2
March 1978 index	164.6	191.6	162.4	137.0	163.1	154.9	139.8	143.0
% change from March 1978	0.5	2.8	-0.4	0.6	-0.7	-0.5	-0.7	0.1
% change from April 1977	7.1	12.3	6.9	4.7	2.9	9.0	2.9	2.1
Saint John								
April 1978 index	168.9	202.0	164.8	137.5	161.5	165.7	150.9	147.5
March 1978 index	167.9	199.1	164.3	136.6	162.5	167.3	152.3	138.4
% change from March 1978	0.6	1.5	0.3	0.7	-0.6	-1.0	-0.9	6.6
% change from April 1977	7.5	11.6	7.1	4.9	5.3	6.0	0.9	10.2
Quebec City								
April 1978 index	165.6	201.1	158.3	132.4	161.9	160.5	144.2	152.9
March 1978 index	165.8	199.4	158.2	140.8	161.8	159.6	143.7	149.6
% change from March 1978	-0.1	0.9	0.1	-6.0	0.1	0.6	0.3	2.2
% change from April 1977	7.8	12.3	8.4	-1.8	5.3	10.4	3.1	8.2
Montreal								
April 1978 index	167.2	200.3	155.1	145.4	162.6	162.9	150.4	155.3
March 1978 index	167.5	198.0	155.3	154.4	162.2	162.6	150.0	153.2
% change from March 1978	-0.2	1.2	-0.1	-5.8	0.2	0.2	0.3	1.4
% change from April 1977	8.1	12.4	8.9	0.3	4.5	8.7	4.2	8.8
Ottawa								
April 1978 index	168.0	194.4	163.0	156.2	157.6	160.5	140.5	161.0
March 1978 index	167.7	191.0	163.7	157.1	159.5	160.9	141.8	156.1
% change from March 1978	0.2	1.8	-0.4	-0.6	-1.2	-0.2	-0.9	3.1
% change from April 1977	8.0	13.6	6.4	6.0	4.9	6.2	2.4	11.8
Toronto								
April 1978 index	166.9	196.6	160.6	142.4	157.7	169.9	145.1	156.0
March 1978 index	166.4	192.7	160.7	144.3	159.3	169.9	146.3	153.0
% change from March 1978	0.3	2.0	-0.1	-1.3	-1.0	0.0	-0.8	2.0
% change from April 1977	7.9	12.7	7.3	4.2	4.6	6.4	2.8	9.6
Thunder Bay								
April 1978 index	169.5	199.8	166.6	137.1	166.5	167.9	144.4	154.5
March 1978 index	169.0	196.0	167.1	139.1	167.6	168.1	145.5	150.3
% change from March 1978	0.3	1.9	-0.3	-1.4	-0.7	-0.1	-0.8	2.8
% change from April 1977	7.7	14.2	6.7	4.0	1.8	9.0	3.7	9.8
Winnipeg								
April 1978 index	170.9	200.2	174.4	143.6	157.4	164.4	143.1	150.9
March 1978 index	171.8	199.5	175.7	147.3	159.6	165.1	144.5	147.4
% change from March 1978	-0.5	0.4	-0.7	-2.5	-1.4	-0.4	-1.0	2.4
% change from April 1977	7.6	14.0	6.4	4.8	4.4	5.0	3.0	6.3
Saskatoon**								
April 1978 index	167.0	194.9	162.9	146.5	156.6	153.9	158.3	159.8
March 1978 index	166.2	189.1	163.6	149.3	157.0	154.4	159.0	154.4
% change from March 1978	0.5	3.1	-0.4	-1.9	-0.3	-0.3	-0.4	3.5
% change from April 1977	7.9	11.9	7.9	3.8	6.7	5.1	3.9	10.1
Regina**								
April 1978 index	171.0	194.7	169.2	144.9	163.1	162.4	162.5	161.0
March 1978 index	170.0	189.1	169.4	146.9	163.5	163.2	162.9	155.9
% change from March 1978	0.6	3.0	-0.1	-1.4	-0.2	-0.5	-0.2	3.3
% change from April 1977	9.5	14.6	9.2	4.4	8.8	6.4	4.2	10.2

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada (continued)

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.**

	All items	Food	Hous- ing	Cloth- ing	Trans- porta- tion (1971 100)	Health and personal care	Recre- ation education and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
Edmonton**								
April 1978 index	171.3	194.7	178.1	150.5	162.3	155.2	148.4	142.3
March 1978 index	170.2	191.3	176.8	148.7	164.0	154.4	148.1	141.6
% change from March 1978	0.6	1.8	0.7	1.2	-1.0	0.5	0.2	0.5
% change from April 1977	8.8	14.3	8.9	8.9	4.0	6.5	5.4	6.4
Calgary**								
April 1978 index	168.4	191.5	169.3	151.2	160.2	161.3	149.7	143.8
March 1978 index	167.9	188.6	168.6	150.7	163.0	160.1	149.2	143.3
% change from March 1978	0.3	1.5	0.4	0.3	-1.7	0.7	0.3	0.3
% change from April 1977	7.9	13.0	7.6	6.6	4.2	7.6	4.8	5.7
Vancouver								
April 1978 index	171.3	201.0	167.5	146.6	162.3	162.6	142.0	158.1
March 1978 index	170.6	197.4	168.1	148.8	163.0	162.8	142.8	147.6
% change from March 1978	0.4	1.8	-0.4	-1.5	-0.4	-0.1	-0.6	7.1
% change from April 1977	7.3	12.1	6.4	4.0	4.0	6.6	5.0	10.3

* For inter-city indexes of retail price differentials refer to Table 14 of Prices and Price Indexes (62-002, 50¢/\$5.50).

** The indexes for the cities of Saskatoon, Regina, Edmonton and Calgary supersede, as of January 1975, the combined cities series of Saskatoon-Regina and Edmonton-Calgary. For further details see Retail Prices and Living Costs Service Bulletin (Statistics Canada Catalogue No. 62-005, Vol. 3, No. 5).

Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, February 1978 — Advance Information

Crude petroleum production for February averaged 1,426,000 barrels per day (227 000 cubic metres/day), down 5.2% from 1,504,000 B.D (239 000 cubic metres/D) in February 1977.

Net new production of natural gas for the latest period averaged 10,786,000 Mcf./D. (306 000 thousands of cubic metres/D), an increase of 1.4% from 10,636,000 Mcf./D (301 000 thousands of cubic metres/D) in February 1977.

For further information, order the February issue of *Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production* (26-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Telephone Statistics, Preliminary Report on Large Telephone Systems, 1977 — Advance Information

Fifteen major telephone systems reported revenues of \$3,811.8 million in 1977, up 14.7% over 1976. Operating expenses were \$2,610.7 million, an increase of 16.2%. Net operating revenue at \$1,201.1 million showed an increase of 11.5% over 1976. Telephone toll messages increased 8.0% to 991.4 million.

For further information, order *Telephone Statistics, Preliminary Report on Large Telephone Systems, 1977* (56-202), or contact Patrick Crosby (613-996-9274), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Real Domestic Product, March 1978 — Advance Information

The seasonally-adjusted index of real domestic product (1971=100) declined 0.2% to 129.9 in March from the upwardly-revised level of 130.1 in February. In March, the index of industrial production was unchanged from February. Goods-producing industries recorded no change in March, while output of service-producing industries declined 0.3%.

In goods-producing industries, only construction and manufacturing increased, while agriculture, forestry, fishing and trapping, mining and utilities declined. For construction, it was the second consecutive monthly increase. Most of the gain was due to increased residential building activity. In manufacturing, durable manufacturing industries were up sharply, with six of the seven major industry groups recording increases; only wood products industries declined in March. Substantial increases were recorded by manufacturers of primary metals and transportation equipment. In non-durables manufacturing, declines were widespread, the most notable being in manufacturers of refined petroleum and coal products. The decline in agriculture resulted from lower livestock and dairy production. Forestry output was off slightly in March due to a slight decline in pulpwood production. Mining declined only slightly. There were strikes in iron ore mining and coal mining which resulted in considerable declines in output. These decreases were partially offset by substantial increases in other metal mines and production of crude petroleum and natural gas. The weakness in utilities resulted from declines in both electric power generation and gas distribution.

In the service-producing industries, trade and transportation, storage and communication registered substantial declines, while finance, insurance and real estate was unchanged from February; community, business and personal services, and public administration and defence services recorded slight increases. In trade, both wholesale and retail trade were down sharply from their high February levels. In wholesale trade, most components declined. All major store-types in retail trade declined in March, the most significant being department stores, motor vehicle dealers, clothing stores, and drug stores. Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores increased slightly during the month. Increases in education and related services were primarily responsible for the modest growth in community, business and personal services. Growth in public administration and defence services resulted from increases in federal and local administration services.

1st Quarter 1978

The seasonally-adjusted index of real domestic product advanced 0.6% to 129.6 in the first quarter of 1978 from 128.8 in the fourth quarter of 1977. The index of industrial production was relatively unchanged in the first quarter. Output of goods-producing industries was off 0.3%, while that of service-producing industries increased 1.2%.

In goods-producing industries, moderate increases were recorded in agriculture, forestry, fishing and trapping, and utilities; manufacturing showed no

growth, and mining and construction declined sharply. Agriculture was up slightly due to increased livestock production. Although forestry output improved about 1%, the first quarter level remained well below that of the first three quarters of 1977. Output in utilities continued to show strength with increases in both electric power and gas distribution, although the rate of growth was less than in the two previous quarters. In manufacturing, non-durable manufacturing recorded the largest quarterly increase since the first quarter of 1977, while durable manufacturing recorded the largest decline since the first quarter of 1975. The growth in non-durable manufacturing resulted largely from increases by manufacturers of food and beverage products, rubber and plastics, leather products, textiles, clothing, paper and allied products, printing and publishing, petroleum and coal products, and chemicals. The decline in durable manufacturers resulted from decreases in wood industries, metal fabricating, machinery industries, transportation equipment, electrical products and non-metallic mineral products. Manufacturers of furniture and fixtures, and primary metals showed some strength in the quarter. Mining output dropped for the third consecutive quarter, showing continued weakness especially in metal mines and non-metal mines. Strikes in the U.S. coal industry (which affected steel mills) and strikes in several iron mines in Canada along with declining nickel production were partial reasons for the metal mines weakness. Mineral fuels production was down in the first quarter, after a strong fourth quarter (increased prices for crude petroleum may have affected production levels). Construction declined for the fourth consecutive quarter, with most of the decrease resulting from a sharp drop in non-residential building activity.

In service-producing industries, all components advanced in the quarter. Transportation, storage and communication showed considerable strength, with major gains in air transport, railway transport, urban transit systems, grain elevators, and communications. Significant growth in urban transit systems was due mostly to recovery from strikes in the fourth quarter. Both wholesale and retail trade experienced substantial increases in the first quarter. Growth within wholesale merchants and wholesalers of petroleum products was especially strong. In retail trade, increases were confined to motor vehicle dealers, clothing stores, and furniture, television, radio and appliance stores. Food stores and department stores declined slightly. Finance, insurance and real estate, and community, business and personal services industries continued to record substantial growth in the first quarter of 1978. Public administration and defence services was almost unchanged from the fourth quarter, reflecting a decline in provincial government administration and increases in federal and local government administration.

For further information, order the March issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (including the Index of Industrial Production)*, (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

(see tables on pages 7 & 8)

Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971 = 100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1977 Dec.	1978 Jan.	1978 Feb.	1978 Mar.	% Change
Real Domestic Product	100.000	129.0	128.7	130.1	129.9	-0.2
Agriculture	3.371	98.6	97.8	99.1	97.1	-2.0
Forestry	.715	119.7	115.9	117.6	116.9	-0.6
Fishing and Trapping	.181	108.4	113.3	128.6	107.1	-16.7
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	111.6	105.7	108.3	107.8	-0.5
Manufacturing industries	22.862	124.4	122.9	124.9	125.5	0.5
Construction industry	6.990	109.9	107.1	108.6	109.6	0.9
Transportation, storage and communication	9.096	137.0	138.6	140.3	139.7	-0.4
Transportation	5.874	123.7	126.8	128.7	127.6	-0.9
Air transport and services incidental to air transport	.679	178.5	188.7	190.9	189.7	-0.6
Railway transport	1.700	113.5	119.3	123.0	121.0	-1.6
Bus transport, interurban and rural	.089	145.4	138.5	133.8	130.3	-2.6
Urban transit systems	.250	109.5	119.6	116.9	114.5	-2.1
Pipeline transport	.489	124.0	117.8	126.1	119.4	-5.3
Storage	.258	96.7	101.9	110.7	125.8	13.6
Grain elevators	.177	78.3	82.4	94.8	118.2	24.7
Communication	2.964	166.8	165.3	165.9	164.9	-0.6
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	158.6	161.4	159.5	156.6	-1.8
Trade	11.367	136.3	137.1	139.8	137.2	-1.9
Wholesale trade	4.509	126.9	128.3	131.2	127.3	-3.0
Wholesale merchants	3.242	128.2	128.9	132.5	128.7	-2.9
Retail trade	6.858	142.6	142.8	145.6	143.7	-1.3
Food stores	1.368	114.4	115.4	115.4	115.4	—
General merchandise stores	1.562	142.3	141.0	146.5	143.9	-1.8
Department stores	.927	166.2	164.0	172.6	166.8	-3.4
Other general merchandise stores	.635	107.3	107.5	108.4	110.5	1.9
Motor vehicle dealers	.697	149.9	158.8	162.6	158.4	-2.6
Clothing stores	.462	129.6	132.0	132.9	129.8	-2.3
Hardware stores	.098	122.8	114.9	116.9	119.2	2.0
Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores	.177	133.6	138.7	149.3	148.8	-0.3
Drug stores	.290	178.7	169.2	169.3	168.5	-0.5
Finance, insurance and real estate	12.036	136.9	137.0	137.5	137.5	—
Community, business and personal service industries	19.359	134.8	135.4	136.8	137.1	0.2
Education and related services	6.509	110.0	110.6	111.9	112.8	0.8
Health and welfare services	5.272	134.7	135.0	135.6	136.0	0.3
Amusement and recreation services	.427	178.4	175.6	177.2	180.1	1.6
Services to business management	2.311	198.1	197.4	200.7	201.2	0.2
Personal services	1.000	106.7	107.3	107.7	107.5	-0.2
Accommodation and food services	2.799	143.6	147.3	149.4	148.1	-0.9
Public administration and defence	7.388	125.6	125.9	125.4	125.9	0.4
Special groupings:						
Index of industrial production	29.497	126.0	124.3	126.1	126.1	—
Real domestic product less agriculture	96.629	130.1	129.7	131.2	131.0	-0.2
Goods-producing industries	40.754	120.8	119.0	120.7	120.7	—
Goods-producing industries less agriculture	37.383	122.8	120.9	122.6	122.8	0.2
Service-producing industries	59.246	134.7	135.3	136.7	136.2	-0.4
Commercial industries	81.341	131.5	131.0	132.7	132.3	-0.3
Commercial industries less agriculture	77.970	132.9	132.5	134.2	133.8	-0.3
Non-commercial industries	18.659	118.1	118.3	118.8	119.4	0.5
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	121.1	121.7	124.1	123.8	-0.2
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	127.7	124.0	125.7	127.1	1.1

Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1977 4th Qtr.	1978 1st Qtr.	% Change
Real Domestic Product	100.000	128.8	129.6	0.6
Agriculture	3.371	97.7	98.0	0.3
Forestry	.715	116.2	116.8	0.5
Fishing and Trapping	.181	114.7	116.3	1.4
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	110.9	107.3	-3.3
Manufacturing industries	22.862	124.4	124.4	—
Construction industry	6.990	111.3	108.4	-2.6
Transportation, storage and communication	9.096	137.2	139.5	1.7
Transportation	5.874	125.1	127.7	2.1
Air transport and services incidental to air transport	.679	179.8	189.8	5.5
Railway transport	1.700	119.1	121.1	1.7
Bus transport, interurban and rural	.089	139.3	134.2	-3.7
Urban transit systems	.250	109.1	117.0	7.3
Pipeline transport	.489	122.5	121.1	-1.1
Storage	.258	103.2	112.8	9.3
Grain elevators	.177	88.3	98.5	11.5
Communication	2.964	164.2	165.4	0.7
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	153.2	159.2	3.9
Trade	11.367	135.4	138.0	1.9
Wholesale trade	4.509	125.5	128.9	2.8
Wholesale merchants	3.242	126.8	130.0	2.6
Retail trade	6.858	142.1	144.0	1.4
Food stores	1.368	115.8	115.4	-0.3
General merchandise stores	1.562	144.0	143.8	-0.2
Department stores	.927	168.0	167.8	-0.1
Other general merchandise stores	.635	109.0	108.8	-0.2
Motor vehicle dealers	.697	152.2	159.9	5.1
Clothing stores	.462	126.7	131.6	3.9
Hardware stores	.098	118.8	117.0	-1.5
Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores	.177	133.9	145.6	8.7
Drug stores	.290	175.3	169.0	-3.6
Finance, insurance and real estate	12.036	136.3	137.3	0.8
Community, business and personal service industries	19.359	134.8	136.4	1.2
Education and related services	6.509	110.8	111.8	0.9
Health and welfare services	5.272	134.4	135.5	0.9
Amusement and recreation services	.427	177.4	177.6	0.1
Services to business management	2.311	196.6	199.8	1.6
Personal services	1.000	107.1	107.5	0.4
Accommodation and food services	2.799	143.9	148.3	3.1
Public administration and defence	7.388	125.6	125.7	0.1
Special groupings:				
Index of industrial production	29.497	125.4	125.5	0.1
Real domestic product less agriculture	96.629	129.8	130.6	0.6
Goods-producing industries	40.754	120.5	120.1	-0.3
Goods-producing industries less agriculture	37.383	122.6	122.1	-0.4
Service-producing industries	59.246	134.5	136.1	1.2
Commercial industries	81.341	131.2	132.0	0.6
Commercial industries less agriculture	77.970	132.6	133.5	0.7
Non-commercial industries	18.659	118.3	118.8	0.5
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	121.2	123.2	1.7
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	127.7	125.6	-1.6

Employment, Earnings and Hours, Advance Data

March 1978

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Employment Index Number									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted				
	Mar. 1978f	Feb. 1978p	Jan. 1978p	Dec. 1977r	Mar. 1977 1961	Feb. 1977 100	Mar. 1978f	Feb. 1978p	Jan. 1978p	Dec. 1977r
Industry Division:										
Forestry	62.3	68.2	68.7	77.1	57.7	64.7	76.7	78.7	77.9	83.5
Mining, including milling	113.5	119.8	120.5	119.7	120.4	119.6	114.6	120.2	121.5	120.3
Manufacturing	124.8	123.1	122.6	123.1	124.3	123.1	126.6	126.1	125.7	125.6
Durable Goods	137.0	135.1	134.9	135.6	136.1	135.4	138.7	137.7	137.2	137.1
Non-durable Goods	114.9	113.4	112.8	113.0	114.7	113.3	117.2	116.6	116.1	116.6
Construction	89.6	89.6	90.1	98.9	98.2	96.7	102.4	104.5	104.9	109.4
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	127.5	127.3	125.9	127.2	126.2	126.0	130.5	130.9	129.5	129.8
Trade	167.7	166.7	168.7	174.8	167.7	168.3	170.5	170.6	169.8	168.2
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	197.8	197.4	196.7	196.4	191.4	190.3	198.4	199.1	198.2	197.1
Service	250.9	248.9	245.4	245.9	241.6	237.7	257.8	258.3	255.4	254.5
Industrial Composite	141.2	140.5	140.1	142.3	140.4	139.7	144.9	145.1	144.2	144.0
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	121.8	122.9	123.1	127.2	121.2	121.6	130.0	131.9	131.2	132.0
Newfoundland	115.7	121.3	123.0	125.1	122.0	123.5	125.9	132.0	135.2	130.1
Prince Edward Island	136.8	136.9	133.0	143.7	128.7	129.5	156.9	159.6	151.9	153.8
Nova Scotia	123.4	123.2	123.1	127.3	120.7	120.8	128.1	128.8	128.4	129.7
New Brunswick	122.4	122.3	122.1	126.9	120.7	120.8	131.9	132.5	130.8	132.4
Quebec	122.5	122.1	122.5	124.6	124.6	124.0	126.1	126.1	126.2	126.5
Ontario	146.0	145.4	145.5	147.2	144.0	143.6	149.2	149.2	148.9	148.4
Prairie Region	156.1	155.3	155.2	157.0	154.2	153.3	160.5	160.5	160.0	159.2
Manitoba	120.6	120.0	120.2	122.3	122.2	121.8	123.9	123.8	123.4	123.8
Saskatchewan	137.6	136.3	136.5	140.3	137.9	138.3	140.3	142.2	141.9	142.7
Alberta	193.5	192.6	192.2	192.9	187.6	185.9	198.6	198.7	198.6	195.2
British Columbia	171.4	167.9	163.0	165.8	169.4	166.1	172.6	173.0	168.1	168.3
Yukon	198.3	193.6	185.6	189.6	183.1	177.0	206.9	207.4	201.6	197.3
Northwest Territories	144.2	139.6	137.0	139.6	154.0	144.0	153.0	150.9	151.0	155.4
Canada	141.2	140.5	140.1	142.3	140.4	139.7	144.9	145.1	144.2	144.0

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Employment, Earnings and Hours (Seasonally Adjusted), March 1978 — Advance Information

The first estimates of the Canadian industrial composite* index of employment (1961=100) for March 1978 indicated a 0.1% decline from February. All industry divisions registered losses except manufacturing which recorded gains. The Atlantic region and British Columbia showed decreases while the remaining regions remained unchanged.

Average weekly earnings rose by 0.4% at the national industrial composite level in March. Gains were registered in all industry divisions with the exception of forestry, construction and finance, insurance and real estate where declines were recorded. All regions participated in the over-all increase except the Atlantic which decreased.

Average weekly hours advanced in mining (including milling) but decreased in manufacturing and in construction. Average hourly earnings increased in manufacturing and in construction but declined in mining (including milling).

* Industrial composite is the sum of all industries with the exception of agriculture, fishing and trapping, education and related services, health and welfare services, religious organizations, private households and public administration and defence. All statistics are based on returns received from employers having 20 or more employees in any month of the year. Notes on concepts and methods can be found in any issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours*.

Detailed information for January and February will be published in the March issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002, 70¢/\$7), and is also available from Mr. R. Ouellette (613-992-5613), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations				Seasonally adjusted					
	Mar. 1978f	Feb. 1978p	Jan. 1978p	Dec. 1977r	Mar. 1977	Feb. 1977	Mar. 1978f	Feb. 1978p	Jan. 1978p	Dec. 1977r
	dollars									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	356.01	352.64	334.96	249.22	325.26	332.13	336.18	336.94	330.27	280.75
Mining, including milling	372.55	372.68	366.89	362.65	344.07	340.37	369.08	368.70	362.61	362.80
Manufacturing	281.44	280.95	274.13	271.83	261.52	259.26	280.12	279.64	272.74	276.90
Durable Goods	301.08	299.97	289.67	290.17	279.28	276.86	300.81	299.19	288.57	298.07
Non-durable Goods	262.60	262.71	259.18	254.12	244.57	242.36	261.06	261.22	258.25	256.97
Construction	374.98	379.23	364.13	346.75	358.19	351.04	374.98	377.79	366.48	388.78
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	304.32	303.32	303.96	299.33	285.79	284.40	304.69	300.91	301.28	301.47
Trade	199.65	197.63	194.65	195.54	185.69	184.48	201.00	199.44	197.33	197.00
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	241.13	239.25	238.73	236.35	228.92	223.65	237.36	237.75	238.35	237.92
Service	179.32	176.25	175.99	175.22	168.15	168.06	180.55	177.03	174.87	176.44
Industrial Composite	260.90	260.06	256.04	252.72	244.68	242.63	261.08	259.93	256.17	258.85
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	227.00	229.08	229.71	222.91	220.28	217.31	224.33	227.19	227.64	228.20
Newfoundland	244.22	247.61	248.32	238.36	243.56	232.29	241.83	244.31	245.72	246.67
Prince Edward Island	191.86	191.61	195.59	192.08	185.05	183.71				
Nova Scotia	218.43	219.54	220.34	214.72	206.67	206.58	216.65	218.93	218.33	220.32
New Brunswick	233.32	232.59	232.34	225.29	224.90	223.62	228.59	229.76	227.21	228.23
Quebec	256.02	256.56	254.45	248.58	238.53	236.68	256.79	255.97	254.65	253.89
Ontario	261.00	259.68	252.88	252.80	244.43	242.05	261.60	260.07	252.85	258.72
Prairie Region	257.17	255.84	253.88	250.21	241.58	240.79	256.66	255.35	254.59	255.52
Manitoba	234.69	233.12	230.80	229.83	221.65	219.67	234.41	234.67	232.76	233.52
Saskatchewan	245.88	243.09	241.26	239.90	230.31	227.09	246.08	243.33	242.64	241.93
Alberta	272.20	271.39	269.65	264.11	255.88	256.56	271.20	269.74	269.92	271.91
British Columbia	294.68	292.75	291.12	283.08	277.24	275.46	297.72	293.54	291.97	291.44
Yukon	364.31	345.55	349.98	347.80	349.24	339.43				
Northwest Territories	305.58	296.34	304.20	296.47	295.93	229.74				
Canada	260.90	260.06	256.04	252.72	244.68	242.63	261.08	259.93	256.17	258.85

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Selected Principal Statistics for the Agricultural Implement Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 331		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	147	148	0.7
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	13,097	12,934	-1.2
Man-hours paid	000's	27,573	27,231	-1.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	156,658	175,455	12.0
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	6,817	8,826	29.5
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	452,621	510,668	12.8
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	762,104	853,055	11.9
Value added	\$000	325,516	349,622	7.4
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	16,629	16,461	-1.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	205,256	230,392	12.2
Total value added	\$000	343,515	371,757	8.2

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Agricultural Implement Industry, 1976* (42-202, 70c)

Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Hours and Average Hourly Earnings										
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted					
	Mar. 1978f	Feb. 1978p	Jan. 1978p	Dec. 1977r	Mar. 1977	Feb. 1977	Mar. 1978f	Feb. 1978p	Jan. 1978p	Dec. 1977r	
						number					
Average Weekly Hours:											
Canada											
Mining, including milling	40.7	41.0	40.6	40.4	40.7	40.6	40.7	40.5	40.0	40.6	
Manufacturing	38.5	38.9	37.9	37.9	38.9	38.9	38.2	38.7	37.9	39.2	
Durable Goods	39.5	39.8	38.2	38.8	39.9	39.8	39.3	39.6	38.1	40.3	
Non-durable Goods	37.4	38.1	37.5	37.0	38.0	38.0	37.2	38.1	37.5	38.1	
Construction	37.5	37.9	36.3	34.9	38.4	37.7	37.6	38.2	37.2	39.6	
Building	36.6	36.8	35.3	34.6	37.0	36.4	36.6	36.7	35.6	38.1	
Engineering	39.3	40.1	38.4	35.5	41.5	40.6	39.8	40.5	39.7	42.1	
Manufacturing:											
Atlantic Region	37.2	38.4	38.5	36.3	38.0	38.6	37.0	38.4	38.0	37.8	
Quebec	38.8	39.4	39.0	38.1	39.2	38.9	38.3	38.9	39.0	39.7	
Ontario	39.1	39.5	37.5	38.6	39.7	39.7	38.9	39.5	37.5	39.9	
Prairie Region	37.5	37.3	37.1	36.6	37.6	37.3	37.4	37.1	37.1	37.2	
British Columbia	36.1	36.5	36.4	35.5	36.2	36.5	35.9	36.2	35.9	36.2	
						dollars					
Average Hourly Earnings:											
Canada											
Mining, including milling	8.55	8.54	8.47	8.47	7.99	7.90	8.50	8.56	8.48	8.41	
Manufacturing	6.76	6.68	6.63	6.60	6.21	6.17	6.75	6.69	6.63	6.62	
Durable Goods	7.17	7.11	7.05	7.01	6.60	6.57	7.18	7.13	7.05	7.07	
Non-durable Goods	6.31	6.21	6.20	6.15	5.80	5.73	6.27	6.22	6.19	6.14	
Construction	10.23	10.28	10.17	9.92	9.55	9.50	10.15	10.13	10.03	10.08	
Building	10.07	10.12	10.04	9.95	9.36	9.31	10.07	10.07	9.98	10.13	
Engineering	10.54	10.60	10.43	9.87	9.93	9.89	10.36	10.33	10.29	10.12	
Manufacturing:											
Atlantic Region	6.21	6.11	6.10	6.03	5.79	5.74	6.10	5.97	5.98	5.86	
Quebec	6.14	6.07	6.05	5.99	5.57	5.54	6.15	6.08	6.06	6.03	
Ontario	6.83	6.75	6.68	6.67	6.31	6.29	6.82	6.77	6.68	6.70	
Prairie Region	6.71	6.68	6.63	6.63	6.22	6.19	6.77	6.76	6.68	6.65	
British Columbia	8.78	8.71	8.73	8.63	8.07	8.03	8.78	8.71	8.69	8.56	

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Selected Principal Statistics for Communications Equipment Manufacturers

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 335		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	262	261	-0.4
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	26,328	24,136	-8.3
Man-hours paid	000's	54,720	50,149	-8.4
Manufacturing wages	\$000	255,150	265,721	4.1
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	6,242	7,280	16.6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	507,515	506,197	-0.3
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	1,368,086	1,383,164	1.1
Value added	\$000	843,737	864,326	2.4
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	42,041	38,467	-8.5
Total salaries and wages	\$000	481,367	498,666	3.4
Total value added	\$000	930,139	953,839	2.5

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Communications Equipment Manufacturers, 1976* (43-206, 70¢).

Weekly Security Price Indexes

May 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	May 19 78 This week	May 12 78 Week ago	Apr 21 78 Month ago
		1971 100		
Investors Index	134	107.7	105.2	105.0
Industrials	85	101.3	98.8	99.1
Foods	9	114.7	111.5	108.4
Alcoholic beverages	5	95.5	92.4	90.4
Textiles and clothing	3	143.9	144.0	138.9
Pulp and paper	7	141.0	137.5	135.8
Printing and publishing	5	112.1	104.3	105.3
Primary metals	4	110.8	109.2	107.3
Industrial mines	6	74.6	71.6	71.4
Metal fabricating	9	182.5	172.9	171.9
Non-metallic minerals	4	104.4	105.0	102.0
Petroleum	8	97.6	98.4	104.2
Chemicals	5	112.2	111.4	110.8
Construction	5	299.7	292.2	277.8
Trade	15	89.7	87.5	86.1
Utilities and services	28	110.0	107.8	107.0
Transportation	6	144.1	137.6	134.9
Pipelines	5	91.7	91.1	90.8
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	124.4	124.6	119.2
Telephone	4	115.3	112.6	111.2
Electric power	3	142.7	140.5	140.4
Gas distribution	5	87.1	87.2	88.8
Finances	21	136.3	133.1	131.3
Banks	8	135.7	132.1	132.9
Investment and loan	9	130.0	128.4	121.9
Insurance	4	176.3	169.6	155.9
Mining Index	17	126.0	124.3	117.1
Gold	9	270.5	267.6	252.2
Base metals	8	56.8	55.6	52.3
Uranium	2	212.0	214.7	221.4
Primary oils and gas index	5	134.5	137.3	139.6

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Advance Information Available on 1978 Capital Expenditures

Capital and Repair Expenditures, Manufacturing Sub-Industries, Canada, 1978 (catalogue 61-214) is expected to be released early in June. These estimates are a supplement to Table 3 of *Private and Public Investment in Canada, Outlook 1978* (catalogue 61-205), released in April. Users interested in receiving advance copies of the tables of the supplement should direct their requests to J.P. Boudreault or M.D. Lusick (613-994-9546), Capital Expenditures Section, Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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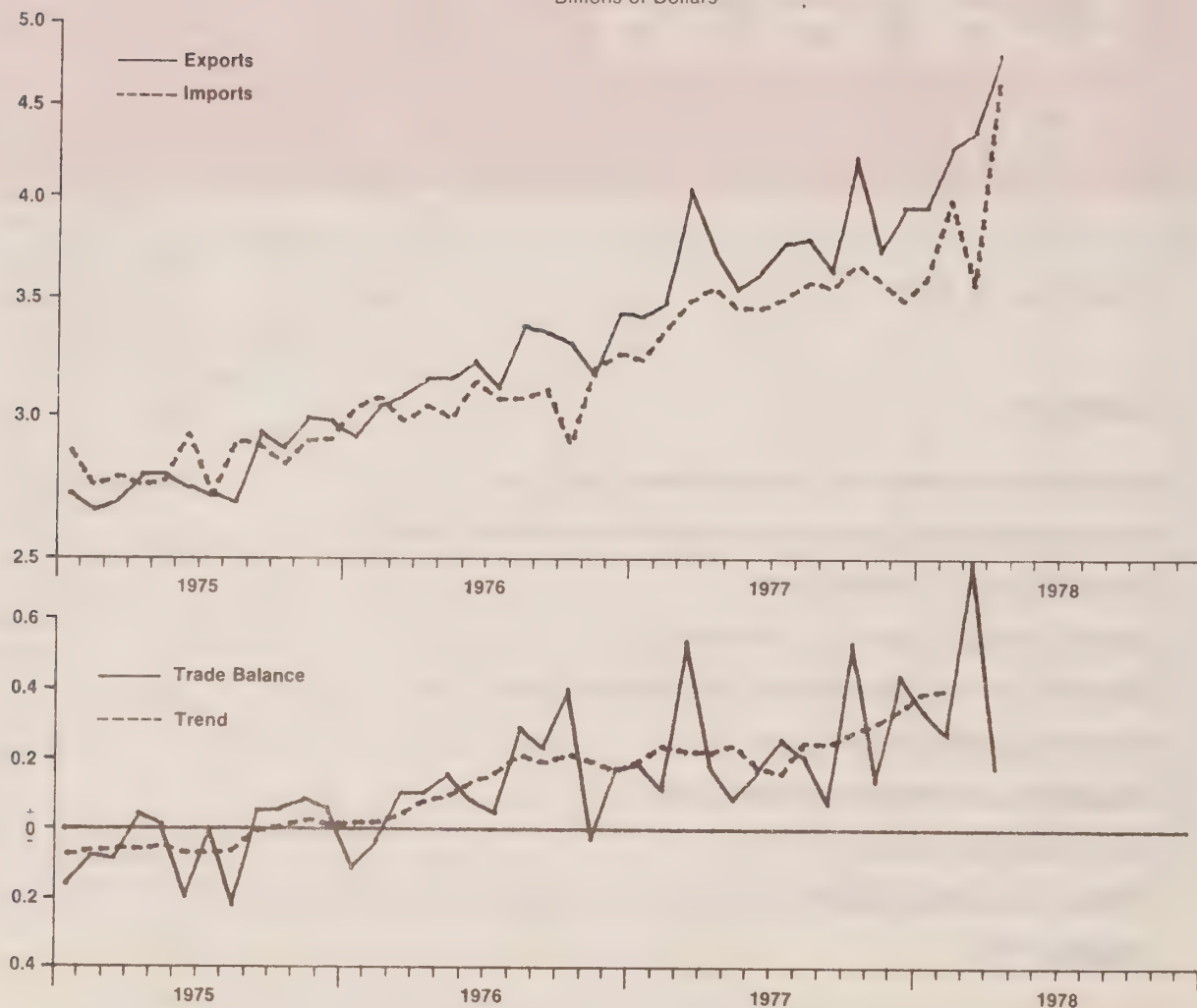
Summary of External Trade, March 1978 (65-001, 40¢/\$4)



EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE: ALL COUNTRIES

Seasonally Adjusted
Balance of Payments Basis

Billions of Dollars



Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, April 1978
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Canadian exports, seasonally adjusted on a balance-of-payments basis, rose for the third consecutive month to reach a record level of \$4,766 million in April, up 10.5% over the revised March figure. The relative increase in imports was almost three times as great to \$4,587 million, following about a 10% fall in March. Contracting sharply from the extraordinary level of March, the merchandise trade surplus of \$179 million for April was also well below the average for recent months.

At \$13,306 million, seasonally-adjusted exports for the three months ending in April stood 15.5% above the November-January total. With imports rising 14% to \$12,084 million, the trade surplus expanded 33% from \$917 million to \$1,222 million in the months of February-April.

Exports (Customs Basis)

Seasonally-adjusted exports to the United States gained 15.5% to a record level of \$3,314 million in April, following a decline of about 2% in March. The increase in the three months ending in April was 9% to \$9,095 million.

The value of shipments to overseas countries has increased for three successive months, including a rise of 3% to \$1,403 million in April. Exports increased to the United Kingdom and Japan, but declined to other destinations. Shipments to overseas markets jumped by a third to \$4,088 million in the months of February-April, with the European Economic Community and Japan accounting for some 41% of the gain.

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Merchandise Trade of Canada

	Customs Basis*		Balance of Payments Basis*				Trade Balance
	Unadjusted		Unadjusted		Seasonally Adjusted		
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports (\$ millions)	Exports	Imports	
1976							
Fourth Quarter	10,009	9,543	10,119	9,420	9,866	9,320	546
1977							
First Quarter	10,347	9,972	10,311	9,823	10,881	10,045	836
Second Quarter	11,616	11,455	11,619	11,229	10,848	10,414	434
Third Quarter	10,608	9,910	10,627	9,869	11,116	10,579	537
Fourth Quarter	11,805	10,819	12,071	10,791	11,783	10,674	1,109
1978							
First Quarter	11,539	10,623	11,594	10,606	12,456	11,073	1,383
1977							
November	3,670	3,619	3,781	3,604	3,701	3,563	138
December	4,089	3,490	4,103	3,481	3,911	3,472	439
1978							
January	3,506	3,186	3,487	3,193	3,916	3,576	340
February	4,096	3,903	4,081	3,886	4,225	3,953	272
March	3,937	3,534	4,026	3,527	4,315	3,544	771
April	4,616	4,649	4,666	4,617	4,766	4,587	179

*In the above table, export and import totals are shown on both a "customs" and a "balance-of-payments" basis. The figures on a customs basis are the totals of detailed merchandise trade data tabulated from customs documents according to procedures and concepts explained in Summary of External Trade. The figures on a balance-of-payments basis reflect a number of adjustments applied to the customs totals to make them consistent with the concepts and definitions used in the system of national accounts. The adjustments include timing adjustments to exports of crude petroleum, natural gas and wheat and to receipts and payments for capital equipment deduction of transportation charges included in the customs returns and the reduction of import values calculated for customs duty purposes to values which reflect transaction prices. For more information about these adjustments, please refer to Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments (67-001, \$1.05/\$4.20).

Over the year, exports of domestic produce (unadjusted for seasonal variations) advanced 16.5% from \$13,610 million in the first four months of 1977 to \$15,887 million in 1978. This increase was distributed over a number of commodity groups, led by forestry products which rose some \$500 million. Exports of non-ferrous metals and automotive goods were up about \$355 million and \$340 million, respectively. Shipments of chemicals and steel together increased \$265 million, and deliveries of natural gas to the U.S. rose \$100 million. Exports of wheat, crude oil and passenger cars declined more moderately.

The predominance of the U.S. as a market for Canadian exports widened from 68.8% in the first four months of 1976 to 72.4% in 1978. The shares for Japan and other American countries in the four months of 1978, while slightly higher than in the same period of 1977, were lower than in the January-April period of 1976.

Imports (Customs Basis)

After receding by 7.5% in March, seasonally-adjusted imports from the U.S. resurged vigorously by 30.5% to \$3,269 million in April. The relative quarterly rise was about half as great, rising 14.5% to \$8,471 million in the three months ending in April.

At \$1,351 million, seasonally-adjusted imports from overseas countries were also sharply higher in April, up 28.5% above the unusually low March level of \$1,051 million. In extension of successive quarterly increases, imports from overseas countries rose 13.5%

to \$3,670 million in the February-April period. Imports from the E.E.C. and Japan together represented 56% and 84%, respectively, of the increases for April and for the latest three months.

Imports, without seasonal adjustment, advanced close to 13% from \$13,529 million in the first four months of 1977 to \$15,272 million in 1978. Imports of motor vehicles and parts increased over \$370 million, those of fabricated materials by \$455 million, and imports of aircraft and other equipment and tools were up some \$305 million. Industrial machinery imports rose roughly \$160 million, but imports of agricultural implements and coal were down slightly.

About 70.2% of Canadian imports arrived from the U.S. in January-April 1978, as compared with 70.5% and 68.4% in the same periods of the preceding two years. The proportion of imports from the E.E.C., Japan and other American countries also expanded between 1976 and 1978, but the shares for the remaining countries contracted.

For further information on area and commodity trade, order the April issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

(see tables on pages 4-9)

Table 1
Imports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1976							
Fourth Quarter	9,442.5	7,106.4	6,531.3	300.8	2,610.4	522.8	404.6
1977							
First Quarter	10,193.3	7,430.3	7,160.0	304.3	2,729.0	562.6	424.8
Second Quarter	10,640.5	7,687.6	7,562.5	324.1	2,753.9	601.6	439.5
Third Quarter	10,619.8	7,851.6	7,451.3	331.7	2,836.8	614.5	457.4
Fourth Quarter	10,702.3	7,795.7	7,456.3	321.3	2,924.7	578.9	481.3
1978							
First Quarter	11,090.0	8,167.0	7,679.9	352.8	3,057.3	713.5	513.3
1977							
November	3,577.9	2,612.5	2,520.2	111.7	946.0	196.3	153.8
December	3,481.0	2,524.5	2,392.6	103.3	985.1	191.3	160.7
1978							
January	3,569.1	2,620.3	2,478.0	109.8	981.3	220.0	164.6
February	3,970.0	2,916.4	2,701.8	127.4	1,140.8	239.0	197.6
March	3,551.0	2,630.3	2,500.2	115.6	935.2	254.4	151.1
April	4,619.9	3,385.3	3,268.8	150.2	1,200.9	313.1	225.9
Percent changes							
April/March	30.1	28.7	30.7	29.9	28.4	23.0	49.5
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	14.2	15.1	14.6	21.0	12.5	32.7	19.9
Apr. 78/Apr. 77	28.1	31.7	28.6	41.4	25.4	58.7	55.7

Table 2
Imports by Principal Trading Areas

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Apr. 1977	Mar. 1977	Feb. 1977	Apr.	Mar.	Feb.
	(\$ millions)								
United States	3,374.4	2,573.1	2,666.3	2,561.9	2,652.3	2,286.4	31.7	-2.9	16.6
United Kingdom	151.6	118.7	128.3	99.6	126.4	92.4	52.1	-6.1	38.9
Other E.E.C.	305.6	207.3	221.5	185.5	198.0	167.9	64.7	19.8	31.9
Japan	211.7	147.1	194.1	136.5	153.3	133.7	55.1	-4.0	45.1
Other O.E.C.D.	119.7	92.6	111.6	102.5	105.4	85.1	16.8	-12.0	31.1
Other America	225.5	146.8	186.8	214.7	235.2	178.3	5.0	-37.5	4.7
Other Countries	260.8	218.7	394.2	256.8	284.5	253.7	1.5	-23.1	55.3
All Countries	4,649.3	3,534.3	3,902.8	3,557.5	3,755.1	3,197.5	30.6	-5.8	22.0
	Year-to-Date						Apr.-Apr. Percent Changes		
	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	Apr. 1977	Mar. 1977	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	78/77	77/76	
	(\$ millions)								
United States	10,712.9	7,338.5	9,542.6	6,980.7	8,406.8	6,241.8	12.2	13.5	
United Kingdom	495.6	344.0	407.4	307.8	399.5	300.6	21.6	1.9	
Other E.E.C.	955.3	649.7	714.3	528.7	633.3	464.5	33.7	12.7	
Japan	714.9	503.2	556.1	419.6	470.0	355.7	28.5	18.3	
Other O.E.C.D.	429.7	309.9	396.6	294.1	378.3	280.2	8.3	4.8	
Other America	829.3	603.8	834.3	619.7	641.3	442.7	-0.5	30.1	
Other Countries	1,134.1	873.3	1,078.0	821.2	1,356.5	1,046.8	5.2	-20.5	
All Countries	15,271.8	10,622.4	13,529.3	9,971.8	12,285.7	9,132.3	12.8	10.1	

Table 3
Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Apr. 1977	Mar. 1977	Feb. 1977	Apr.	Mar.	Feb.
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	5.6	3.0	2.8	7.5	3.3	2.9	-25.3	-10.3	-4.3
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	314.6	234.9	283.1	251.4	280.1	227.7	25.1	-16.1	24.3
Meat and fish	40.6	34.7	50.3	40.5	40.6	41.0	0.3	-14.4	22.7
Fruits and vegetables	114.6	83.8	88.6	85.7	86.7	73.9	33.7	-3.2	19.9
Raw sugar	11.9	0.0	20.2	11.9	4.9	12.8	0.4	-99.7	58.1
Crude Materials, Inedible	411.9	296.0	506.5	444.6	386.3	340.6	-7.3	-23.3	48.7
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	70.6	21.1	42.0	52.5	15.2	21.7	34.4	39.0	93.5
Coal	12.9	0.4	0.6	21.9	2.3	5.3	-41.0	-80.5	-88.2
Crude petroleum	227.5	201.3	362.4	285.5	286.5	227.5	-20.3	-29.7	59.3
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	788.4	650.2	656.0	546.2	644.8	498.8	44.3	0.8	31.5
Wood and paper	69.8	60.4	60.9	51.9	67.5	53.2	34.4	-10.4	14.5
Textiles	103.0	82.1	86.0	72.0	79.9	68.5	42.9	2.7	25.5
Chemicals	252.5	212.3	202.2	171.5	202.3	148.9	47.2	4.9	35.8
Iron and steel	89.6	73.5	76.6	59.5	68.1	56.6	50.6	7.9	35.3
Bars and rods, steel	11.4	9.5	7.3	6.8	9.0	6.3	68.0	6.2	14.9
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	27.0	21.7	30.0	18.4	19.3	21.5	46.6	12.3	39.2
Non-ferrous metals	63.5	52.0	58.6	39.2	42.6	31.4	62.0	21.9	86.3
End Products, Inedible	2,940.6	2,318.7	2,422.3	2,275.2	2,406.3	2,092.9	29.2	-3.6	15.7
General purpose machinery	164.9	133.9	133.2	119.4	130.8	112.7	38.0	2.3	18.1
Special industry machinery	237.0	178.7	204.5	176.9	180.2	179.0	34.0	-0.7	14.2
Machine tools, metalworking	18.2	12.4	16.7	13.9	15.7	11.0	31.2	-21.2	52.2
Agricultural machinery and tractors	165.0	112.4	114.2	125.8	138.2	119.0	31.1	-18.6	-4.0
Transportation equipment	1,417.5	1,129.9	1,172.2	1,188.1	1,148.7	1,015.8	19.3	-1.6	15.4
Passenger automobiles and chassis	375.0	316.9	294.0	340.0	329.4	257.6	10.3	-3.7	14.1
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	116.2	106.0	93.3	95.8	89.6	93.3	21.2	18.3	-0.0
Other motor vehicles	34.0	26.3	30.1	37.4	38.4	26.7	-9.0	-31.4	12.7
Motor vehicle engines	81.4	58.6	62.6	47.9	49.7	41.8	69.9	17.9	49.8
Motor vehicle engine parts	72.0	53.3	61.3	59.5	59.5	55.5	21.0	-10.4	10.5
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	598.2	447.7	515.7	514.2	474.2	444.4	16.3	-5.5	16.0
Aircraft, complete with engines	22.3	21.1	11.6	7.6	8.4	6.5	193.8	150.5	79.0
Other equipment and tools	538.4	423.3	433.0	357.2	432.2	349.1	50.7	-2.0	24.0
Electronic computers	74.9	58.6	60.0	40.4	51.8	44.3	85.2	13.0	35.4
Special Transactions, Trade	188.1	31.4	32.0	32.6	34.2	34.4	476.5	-8.0	-6.9
Total	4,649.3	3,534.3	3,902.8	3,557.5	3,755.1	3,197.5	30.6	-5.8	22.0

Airport Activity, November-December 1977 — Advance Information

Monthly airport activity statistics for the top 50 airports in Canada are now available for the months of November and December 1977.

Total scheduled enplaned plus deplaned passengers statistics for these two months for airports Toronto International, Montreal (Dorval) International and Mirabel International are shown in the accompanying table.

The airport tables and further information may be obtained by contacting Ruth Larouche (819-997-1986), Airport Activity Survey, Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0N9.

Airport Activity, November-December 1977

	Toronto International	Montreal International	Mirabel International
November 1976	727,575	417,482	28,165
November 1977	767,023	432,452	27,119
% change	5.4	3.6	-5.0
December 1976	804,979	440,661	76,686
December 1977	805,908	441,315	52,361
% change	1	1	-31.7

* Work slowdowns and stoppages by runway maintenance personnel at Mirabel forced the airlines to either cancel or divert flights in December 1977

Table 3 (Continued)

Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Year-to-Date						Apr./Apr. Percent Changes	
	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	Apr. 1977	Mar. 1977	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	78/77	77/76
	(\$ millions)							
Live Animals	13.7	8.1	17.2	9.7	42.4	26.6	-20.5	-59.3
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	1,073.4	758.8	983.3	731.9	783.4	586.1	9.1	25.5
Meat and fish	165.1	124.5	159.8	119.3	154.0	119.2	3.3	3.7
Fruits and vegetables	357.4	242.7	309.0	223.3	249.7	184.7	15.6	23.7
Raw sugar	52.2	40.3	52.1	40.2	66.7	47.2	0.1	-21.8
Crude Materials, Inedible	1,664.2	1,252.3	1,608.5	1,163.9	1,770.1	1,273.0	3.4	-9.1
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	168.5	97.8	124.3	71.8	103.7	70.3	35.4	19.8
Coal	28.7	15.8	54.8	32.9	90.2	46.8	-47.5	-39.2
Crude petroleum	1,111.5	884.0	1,087.7	802.2	1,277.5	933.5	2.1	-14.8
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	2,621.3	1,833.0	2,164.3	1,618.1	2,050.6	1,544.0	21.1	5.5
Wood and paper	237.6	167.8	222.6	170.7	284.0	220.2	6.7	-21.6
Textiles	347.3	244.3	287.6	215.6	290.4	225.7	20.7	-0.9
Chemicals	819.0	566.5	655.6	484.2	564.3	413.1	24.9	16.1
Iron and steel	301.3	211.7	239.8	180.4	215.0	159.4	25.6	11.5
Bars and rods, steel	35.8	24.4	30.9	24.1	25.3	18.4	15.9	21.9
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	100.3	73.3	76.7	58.3	62.1	47.5	30.6	23.5
Non-ferrous metals	212.1	148.6	146.6	107.4	142.0	104.2	44.6	3.2
End Products, Inedible	9,620.5	6,679.9	8,621.4	6,346.2	7,495.2	5,596.1	11.5	15.0
General purpose machinery	542.7	377.8	460.6	341.2	439.7	342.5	17.8	4.7
Special industry machinery	774.1	537.1	693.8	516.9	644.2	465.6	11.5	7.7
Machine tools, metalworking	63.5	45.3	52.1	38.2	47.0	35.9	21.8	10.9
Agricultural machinery and tractors	474.6	309.6	494.7	368.9	450.5	330.8	-4.0	9.8
Transportation equipment	4,639.7	3,222.1	4,192.8	3,004.7	3,514.1	2,593.2	10.6	19.3
Passenger automobiles and chassis	1,216.2	841.2	1,115.7	775.7	917.3	652.8	9.0	21.6
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	372.8	256.7	342.6	246.8	276.0	203.0	8.8	24.1
Other motor vehicles	115.3	81.3	124.7	87.3	87.1	63.7	-7.5	43.1
Motor vehicle engines	247.5	166.1	175.8	128.0	173.2	127.0	40.7	1.5
Motor vehicle engines parts	243.1	171.1	224.2	164.7	151.5	111.6	8.4	47.9
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	1,986.8	1,388.6	1,827.1	1,312.9	1,548.5	1,163.9	8.7	17.9
Aircraft, complete with engines	57.3	35.0	29.5	21.9	30.5	24.2	93.9	-3.1
Other equipment and tools	1,760.0	1,221.6	1,482.1	1,124.9	1,290.1	980.2	18.7	14.8
Electronic computers	246.4	171.5	180.7	140.3	121.9	92.4	36.3	48.1
Special Transactions, Trade	278.7	90.5	134.5	101.8	144.1	106.6	107.2	-6.6
Total	15,271.8	10,622.4	13,529.3	9,971.8	12,285.7	9,132.3	12.8	10.1

Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tiles, April 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 4,293 short tons (3 895 t) or 8,296,668 square feet (770 786 m²) of vinyl-asbestos floor tiles in April compared to 4,007 short tons (3 635 t) or 8,296,548 square feet (770 775 m²) in April 1977.

For further information, order the April issue of *Production and Shipments of Floor Tiles* (47-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Table 4

Total Exports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs Basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	Total excluding cars and wheat	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1976								
Fourth Quarter	9,755.6	7,684.9	7,307.6	6,528.8	460.0	2,766.8	733.2	630.6
1977								
First Quarter	10,916.1	8,244.4	7,864.2	7,381.3	488.7	3,046.1	734.4	631.3
Second Quarter	10,845.1	8,326.5	7,891.6	7,640.3	483.0	2,721.8	666.8	642.6
Third Quarter	11,097.6	8,775.0	8,233.2	7,831.3	498.3	2,768.0	694.6	629.1
Fourth Quarter	11,516.7	8,690.4	8,220.7	8,173.5	476.2	2,867.0	673.4	615.0
1978								
First Quarter	12,400.6	9,612.6	9,275.3	8,675.6	511.7	3,213.3	741.3	692.6
1977								
November	3,589.0	2,725.5	2,593.2	2,675.7	134.7	778.6	209.4	200.1
December	3,896.8	2,954.6	2,794.1	2,778.3	175.0	943.5	240.4	183.9
1978								
January	3,934.7	3,029.0	2,908.9	2,894.7	148.0	892.0	212.4	214.1
February	4,240.5	3,361.2	3,218.1	2,916.2	178.3	1,146.0	259.0	250.5
March	4,225.4	3,222.4	3,148.3	2,864.7	185.4	1,175.3	269.9	228.0
April	4,716.7	3,681.8	3,478.0	3,314.3	198.8	1,203.6	253.3	308.0
Percent changes								
April/March	11.6	14.2	10.4	15.6	7.2	2.4	-6.1	35.0
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	15.4	17.8	18.6	8.9	22.8	34.8	18.1	31.5
Apr. 78/Apr. 77	26.4	29.0	29.0	30.0	26.0	17.5	11.4	32.1

Table 5

Total Exports by Principal Trading Areas

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Apr. 1977	Mar. 1977	Feb. 1977	Apr.	Mar.	Feb.
	(\$ millions)								
United States	3,366.8	2,911.8	2,885.3	2,575.8	2,766.0	2,305.5	30.7	5.2	25.1
United Kingdom	188.2	177.9	170.8	131.1	169.1	137.5	43.5	5.1	24.2
Other E.E.C.	219.2	214.3	236.3	175.9	207.8	216.6	24.6	3.1	9.0
Japan	306.1	198.0	241.5	205.5	231.2	185.0	48.9	-14.3	30.5
Other O.E.C.D.	93.1	80.5	102.5	89.3	139.3	104.6	4.2	-42.2	-2.0
Other America	178.7	137.6	199.7	135.1	155.7	125.7	32.3	-11.6	58.9
Other Countries	264.2	217.1	260.1	212.3	236.7	205.6	24.4	-8.3	26.4
All Countries	4,616.3	3,937.2	4,096.2	3,525.0	3,905.8	3,280.5	30.9	0.8	24.8
	Year-to-Date						Apr.-Apr. Percent Changes		
	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	Apr. 1977	Mar. 1977	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	78/77	77/76	
United States	11,698.9	8,332.1	9,792.6	7,216.8	8,221.1	6,019.5	19.4	19.1	
United Kingdom	662.9	474.7	597.1	465.9	591.7	431.4	11.0	0.9	
Other E.E.C.	855.5	636.3	835.8	659.9	734.7	559.0	2.3	13.7	
Japan	956.3	650.2	816.7	611.3	803.1	610.2	17.0	1.7	
Other O.E.C.D.	358.6	265.5	417.1	327.8	304.3	224.8	-14.0	37.0	
Other America	672.3	493.5	533.5	398.4	511.3	353.5	26.0	4.3	
Other Countries	950.4	686.2	878.7	666.4	779.8	637.6	8.1	12.6	
All Countries	16,154.9	11,538.5	13,871.5	10,346.5	11,946.0	8,836.0	16.4	16.1	

Table 6

Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Apr. 1977	Mar. 1977	Feb. 1977	Apr.	Mar.	Feb.
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	22.8	16.2	17.6	11.7	7.9	7.1	95.2	104.1	148.6
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	383.3	291.0	341.1	278.6	312.2	283.5	37.5	-6.7	20.2
Meat and fish	86.8	77.4	79.5	88.8	79.0	51.7	-2.1	-1.9	53.5
Cereals and preparations	155.0	136.4	162.3	123.7	149.0	151.9	25.2	-8.4	6.8
Wheat	103.5	88.3	93.1	94.7	93.8	122.0	9.2	-5.8	-23.6
Crude Materials, Inedible	726.7	659.3	745.9	684.7	717.4	633.2	6.1	-8.1	17.8
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	165.5	161.1	194.8	162.5	183.3	137.3	1.8	-12.0	41.8
Crude petroleum	132.8	131.1	137.0	153.5	132.0	139.8	-13.5	-0.6	-1.9
Natural gas	200.9	184.0	205.9	192.6	180.6	175.5	4.3	1.8	17.2
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	1,785.9	1,495.0	1,513.4	1,208.1	1,326.4	1,086.9	47.8	12.7	39.2
Wood and paper	853.6	724.8	701.9	645.4	673.9	547.2	32.2	7.5	28.2
Lumber, softwood	302.3	222.4	234.0	184.4	196.8	149.2	63.8	13.0	56.8
Wood pulp and similar pulp	178.0	165.7	173.5	185.8	195.4	190.9	-4.2	-15.1	-9.1
Newsprint paper	263.3	241.7	206.9	199.2	197.7	159.3	32.2	22.2	29.9
Textiles	14.4	12.6	12.6	7.9	11.7	9.4	82.7	7.5	33.4
Chemicals	243.5	188.4	173.6	155.4	161.8	129.4	56.6	16.4	34.1
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	73.1	69.9	74.6	71.9	73.5	53.3	1.6	-4.8	40.0
Petroleum and coal products	57.4	58.7	80.7	43.2	58.8	76.7	32.7	-0.1	5.2
Iron and steel	133.3	110.4	108.7	90.4	84.6	68.6	47.4	30.5	58.2
Non-ferrous metals	338.8	268.3	307.4	183.0	242.2	175.9	85.1	10.7	74.7
Copper and alloys	48.2	42.6	69.7	35.1	54.2	37.4	37.0	-21.4	86.4
Nickel and alloys	76.3	58.7	76.1	34.6	29.6	20.8	120.5	98.4	265.5
End Products, Inedible	1,600.5	1,407.2	1,390.8	1,269.3	1,461.4	1,194.8	26.0	-3.7	16.4
Industrial machinery	137.9	118.5	116.9	86.7	118.6	89.0	58.9	-0.0	31.3
Agricultural machinery and tractors	59.1	45.7	53.8	58.7	63.6	48.9	0.5	-28.2	9.9
Transportation equipment	1,156.9	1,029.6	993.9	960.0	1,095.1	891.8	20.5	-5.9	11.4
Passenger automobiles and chassis	446.5	396.5	358.6	423.2	470.7	361.1	5.5	-15.7	-0.6
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	214.9	223.9	227.7	164.0	177.7	161.6	31.0	26.0	40.9
Other motor vehicles	15.4	17.3	12.8	14.0	14.1	12.8	9.8	22.5	-0.2
Motor vehicle engines and parts	100.8	89.8	78.3	79.4	88.7	88.7	26.9	1.2	-11.6
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	293.3	231.4	241.0	212.9	237.2	196.3	37.7	-2.4	22.8
Other equipment and tools	111.1	95.2	96.2	72.1	84.0	73.5	54.0	13.3	30.9
Special transactions, Trade	21.5	7.1	8.1	4.3	4.8	5.6	402.9	47.4	44.5
Total	4,540.6	3,875.7	4,016.8	3,456.7	3,830.1	3,211.1	31.3	1.1	25.0

Table 6 (Continued)

Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Year-to-Date						Apr.-Apr. Percent Changes	
	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	Apr. 1977	Mar. 1977	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	78/77	77/76
	(\$ millions)							
Live Animals	66.2	43.4	35.9	24.2	36.9	27.0	84.3	-2.8
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	1,296.9	913.6	1,169.8	891.2	1,136.0	892.1	10.8	2.9
Meat and fish	318.8	231.9	267.8	179.0	232.2	156.5	19.0	15.3
Cereals and preparations	594.2	439.2	606.0	482.3	691.6	572.6	-1.9	-12.3
Wheat	378.9	275.4	431.7	337.0	453.9	384.1	-12.2	-4.8
Crude Materials, Inedible	2,862.0	2,135.2	2,744.5	2,059.8	2,604.6	1,954.8	4.2	5.3
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	681.2	515.8	689.8	527.3	589.3	429.8	-1.2	17.0
Crude petroleum	564.3	431.6	594.7	441.2	866.4	671.2	-5.1	-31.3
Natural gas	803.6	602.7	703.1	510.5	539.6	401.7	14.3	30.2
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	6,068.0	4,282.2	4,692.2	3,484.2	3,736.4	2,726.1	29.3	25.5
Wood and paper	2,911.3	2,057.7	2,409.8	1,764.5	1,856.8	1,328.3	20.8	29.7
Lumber, softwood	963.9	661.6	687.4	503.0	452.4	331.5	40.2	51.9
Woodpulp and similar pulp	664.5	486.6	732.2	546.4	691.9	525.7	-9.2	5.8
Newsprint paper	913.9	650.6	723.0	523.8	515.9	325.4	26.4	40.1
Textiles	48.0	33.5	36.2	28.3	35.9	26.7	32.6	0.7
Chemicals	723.4	479.9	570.0	414.6	470.6	332.4	26.9	21.1
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	262.4	189.3	249.4	177.5	219.0	149.1	5.2	13.8
Petroleum and coal products	273.2	215.8	236.4	193.1	216.5	179.4	15.5	9.1
Iron and steel	439.5	306.2	327.3	236.9	252.0	194.5	34.2	29.8
Non-ferrous metals	1,149.5	810.7	793.3	610.3	683.6	496.5	44.9	16.0
Copper and alloys	200.5	152.4	171.4	136.2	172.5	133.5	17.0	-0.6
Nickel and alloys	282.1	205.8	118.5	84.0	122.9	90.4	137.9	-3.5
End Products, Inedible	5,550.5	3,950.1	4,947.1	3,677.8	4,121.7	3,017.2	12.2	20.0
Industrial machinery	462.7	324.8	366.9	280.2	281.0	210.2	26.1	30.5
Agricultural machinery and tractors	183.7	124.6	206.2	147.5	193.2	137.3	-10.9	6.7
Transportation equipment	4,060.9	2,904.0	3,730.0	2,770.0	3,017.1	2,195.1	8.8	23.6
Passenger automobiles and chassis	1,533.5	1,086.9	1,587.2	1,163.9	1,266.2	896.6	-3.3	25.3
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	848.7	633.7	647.5	483.6	487.5	350.6	31.0	32.8
Other motor vehicles	61.3	45.9	48.6	34.6	44.2	34.6	26.0	9.9
Motor vehicle engines and parts	354.9	254.1	330.3	250.9	236.2	178.8	7.4	39.8
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	979.1	685.8	824.7	611.8	679.5	509.8	18.7	21.3
Other equipment and tools	371.3	260.2	288.7	216.6	250.6	188.0	28.6	15.2
Special Transactions, Trade	43.7	22.2	20.3	16.1	71.6	38.2	114.8	-71.6
Total	15,887.2	11,346.6	13,609.9	10,153.2	11,707.3	8,655.5	16.7	16.2

Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes

April 1978 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	Apr. 1977	% Change	
				Apr./78 Mar./78	Apr./78 Apr./77
Canada, Total	186.4	185.4	170.7	0.6	9.2
Materials	179.1	177.4	162.1	0.9	10.5
Labour	199.6	199.6	186.0	—	7.3
Atlantic Provinces, Total	194.4	193.8	181.7	0.3	7.0
Materials	178.9	178.0	166.0	0.5	7.8
Labour	221.3	221.2	208.9	—	5.9
Quebec, Total	189.0	188.2	171.1	0.4	10.5
Materials	184.9	183.7	166.7	0.6	10.9
Labour	196.8	196.8	179.2	—	9.8
Ontario, Total	180.5	178.9	165.4	0.9	9.1
Materials	174.4	171.7	158.1	1.6	10.3
Labour	191.0	191.0	177.8	—	7.4
Prairie Provinces, Total	196.6	196.5	181.8	0.1	8.1
Materials	183.5	183.2	164.5	0.1	11.6
Labour	222.1	222.1	215.5	—	3.1
British Columbia, Total	186.7	186.0	169.7	0.4	10.0
Materials	180.5	179.3	163.7	0.6	10.3
Labour	197.8	197.8	180.4	—	9.6

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mrs. G.A. John (613-994-5807), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Selected Leisure Activities, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates are now available from the February 1978 Labour Force Survey Supplement on "Selected Leisure Time Activities: Reading Habits". The survey was oriented towards arts and culture involvement, and revealed generally constant or increasing rates of participation in relation to a similar 1975 survey. Based on participation sometime during the preceding 12 months, 95% of the adults reporting watched television, 90% listened to radio, between 85 and 90% read newspapers, magazines or books, and about 75% reported listening to records or tapes. About 60% reported engaging in some form of physical recreation or exercise, about half indicated some involvement with hobbies or crafts, a third were involved with community or volunteer activity, and a third indicated some time spent with film, photography, painting, drawing, or sculpture.

In terms of visiting or attending institutions and events, about half the adult population had gone to a movie, half reported visiting a bookstore, and half reported going to a sports event. One in three respondents indicated some involvement with each of: museums, public libraries, and art or craft fairs. One in four had attended each of: live theatre, folk/rock/jazz/popular music performances, and art galleries. About one in five reported attending a classical music or dance performance. Over-all, about 55% of the adult population reported some involvement with at least one of museums, art galleries, live theatre, classical music, and libraries over the preceding year. In the two month period January-February 1978, there was a reported average of two visits per Canadian adult to these cultural events. Including more broadly cultural

involvements, such as folk or popular music concerts, films, and bookstores, this rose to 4.7 exposures per adult. The comparable figure for sports events was 1.5 visits per adult over the same period.

The survey was jointly sponsored by the Education, Science and Culture Division of Statistics Canada, and the Arts and Culture Branch of the Secretary of State Department. More detailed statistical information will be available later this summer; a comprehensive study has been commissioned and is expected in the Spring of 1979. In the meantime, further information may be obtained from Terry Cheney (613-593-6771), Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, April 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers shipped 1,468,942,000 square feet (136 470 000 m²) of corrugated boxes and wrappers in April, an increase of 6.6% from 1,377,497,000 square feet (127 973 000 m²) a year earlier.

January to April shipments totalled 5,786,075,000 square feet (537 543 000 m²) in 1978 compared to 5,570,926,000 square feet (518 408 000 m²) in 1977.

For further information, order the April issue of *Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers* (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Selected Principal Statistics for the Slaughtering and Meat Processing Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1011		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	477	467	-2.1
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	24,621	25,019	1.6
Man-hours paid	000's	51,417	52,856	2.8
Manufacturing wages	\$000	278,193	319,194	14.7
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	24,897	30,393	22.1
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	3,097,744	3,178,027	2.6
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	3,828,825	3,994,300	4.3
Value added	\$000	711,711	789,551	10.9
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	32,993	33,305	1.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	391,010	440,097	12.6
Total value added	\$000	746,341	820,935	9.9

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Slaughtering and Meat Processors*, 1976 (32-221, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Men's Clothing Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2431		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	480	485	1.0
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	32,323	33,481	3.6
Man-hours paid	000's	65,866	68,003	3.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	211,968	253,916	19.8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	3,095	3,664	18.4
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	459,149	549,331	19.6
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	877,859	1,015,620	15.7
Value added	\$000	412,893	497,250	20.4
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	36,930	38,380	3.9
Total salaries and wages	\$000	273,253	327,379	19.8
Total value added	\$000	420,955	512,414	21.7

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Men's Clothing Industries*, 1976 (34-216, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Plastics Fabricating Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1650		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	659	672	2.0
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	21,184	22,304	5.3
Man-hours paid	000's	42,882	44,981	4.9
Manufacturing wages	\$000	168,834	200,901	19.0
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	14,492	18,939	30.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	493,391	588,961	19.4
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	957,230	1,101,588	15.1
Value added	\$000	455,215	504,079	10.7
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	25,541	26,961	5.6
Total salaries and wages	\$000	228,977	271,791	18.7
Total value added	\$000	465,377	516,278	10.9

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Plastics Fabricating Industry*, 1976 (47-208, 70¢).

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Selected Principal Statistics for the Logging Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

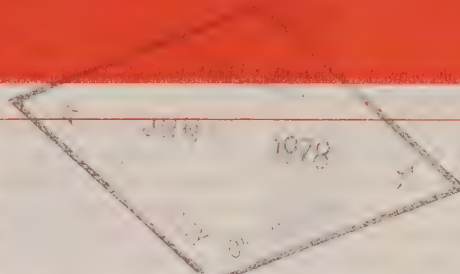
S.I.C. 031		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	2,749	2,319	-15.6
Logging Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	45,533	42,185	-7.4
Man-hours paid	000's	97,662	83,917	-14.1
Logging wages	\$000	588,039	638,761	8.6
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	64,373	70,894	10.1
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	1,425,099	1,852,323	29.9
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	2,473,656	3,213,009	29.9
Value added	\$000	1,102,730	1,329,663	20.5
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	53,622	49,878	-7.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	711,655	773,178	8.6
Total value added	\$000	1,125,527	1,348,174	19.8

For further information, contact C.F. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Logging*, 1976 (25-201, \$1.40).

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- Preliminary Unemployment Insurance Statistics, February 1978** (73-001P, N/C)
- Oil Pipe Line Transport, January 1978** (55-001, 30¢/\$3)
- Operating Results, Independent Women's Retail Clothing Stores, 1975** (63-604, 70¢)
- Diesel and Natural Gas Engine Sales Survey, 1977** (63-221, 70¢)
- Fruit and Vegetable Production, May 1978** (22-003, 40¢/\$3)
- Asbestos Mines, 1976** (26-205, 70¢)
- The Wheat Review, December 1977** (22-005, 55¢/\$5.50)
- Monthly Review of Canadian Fisheries Statistics, March 1978** (24-002, 40¢/\$4)
- Report on Livestock Surveys, Pigs, April 1, 1978** (23-005, \$1.40 a year)
- Dairy Factory Production, April 1978** (32-002, 15¢/\$1.50)
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Security Transactions with Non-residents, February 1978 (67-002, 40¢/\$4)

Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, February 1978 (35-001, 30¢/\$3)

Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables, March 1978 (32-011, 30¢/\$3)

Service Bulletin:

Minerals (41-010, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 6, No. 1, Consumption of Chrome Ore and Manganese Ore, 1977

Key Economic Series, June 1978

During the coming month, the release of Key Economic Series data is expected to be in accordance with the schedule outlined below. Where a range of dates is given for a series, this represents the period within which publication of the data can be reasonably expected, the variability taking account of circumstances peculiar to each series. Any range may be exceeded on rare occasions, for reasons unpredictable at this time.

June 6 to 15: Industry Selling Price Index, month of April;

June 8 to 15: Canadian Balance of International Payments, 1st quarter 1978;

June 8 to 15: General Wholesale Price Index, month of April;

June 9 to 14: Retail Trade, month of April;

June 12 to 15: Building Permits, month of April;

June 12 to 15: Gross National Product, 1st quarter 1978;

June 13: Labour Force Survey, month of May;

June 13 to 15: Index of Industrial Production, month of April;

June 13 to 16: Wholesale Trade, month of April;

June 14: Consumer Price Index (National), month of May;

June 15 to 19: Consumer Credit, month of April;

June 19 to 23: Real Domestic Product, month of April;

June 19 to 28: Industrial Corporations' Financial Statistics (final data), 1st quarter 1978;

June 22: Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, month of May;

June 22 to 26: Inventories, Shipments and Orders, month of April;

June 22 to 27: Labour Income, month of April;

June 22 to 28: Employment, Earnings and Hours, month of April;

June 23 to 28: Unemployment Insurance Statistics, month of April;

June 30: Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, month of May.

Notice of advance information availability: *Financial Flows*, 1st quarter 1978, advance information I on June 26 to 30; *Field Crop Reporting Series* No. 6, Telegraphic Crop Report, Canada, June 1, 1978 at 3 p.m. E.D.S.T.; *Field Crop Reporting Series* No. 7, Telegraphic Crop Report, Prairie Provinces, June 8, 1978 at 3 p.m. E.D.S.T.; *Field Crop Reporting Series* No. 8, June Intended Acreages and Progress of Seeding; Winter-

killing and Spring Condition of Winter Wheat, Fall Rye, Tame Hay and Pasture; Rates of Seeding, June 16, 1978 at 3 p.m. E.D.S.T.

It should be noted that the July schedule of Key Economic Series will appear in the Daily on June 28, 1978.

For any inquiry concerning the release of these series please contact Mr. J. Kerr (613-992-1548), Production Planning and Scheduling Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies, March 1978 — Advance Information

Production of lumber in sawmills east of the Rockies increased in March to 571,305,000 feet board measure (1 347 780 m³) from a revised 561,952,000 feet board measure (1 326 061 m³) in March 1977. Stocks on hand at the end of March 1978 totalled 1,124,289,000 feet board measure (2 653 023 m³).

For further information, order the March issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies* (35-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Motor Vehicle Production, April 1978 — Advance Information

Production of passenger cars totalled 106,536 units in April, down from 113,654 in April 1977. January to April production was 392,080 units in 1978 compared to 440,522 in 1977.

All commercial vehicles totalled 62,786 units compared to 53,658. Year-to-date production rose to 238,224 units from 208,936.

For further information, order the April issue of *Motor Vehicle Shipments* (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ended May 14

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	1,851,727	2,470,418	4,322,145
Short tons, 1977	2,786,224	2,472,383	5,258,607
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 679 858	2 241 126	3 920 984
Metric tonnes, 1977	2 527 620	2 242 908	4 770 528
% change	-33.5	-0.1	-17.8
Cars, 1978	34,215	36,484	70,699
Cars, 1977	44,105	37,157	81,262
% change	-22.4	-1.8	-13.0
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	158,045	58,658	216,703
Short tons, 1977	147,786	58,517	206,303
Metric tonnes, 1978	143 376	53 214	196 590
Metric tonnes, 1977	134 069	53 086	187 155
% change	6.9	0.2	5.0
Cars, 1978	4,868	2,411	7,279
Cars, 1977	4,743	2,496	7,239
% change	2.6	-3.4	0.6
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	40,615,628	40,642,076	81,257,704
Short tons, 1977	46,581,201	39,979,930	86,561,131
Metric tonnes, 1978	36 845 878	36 869 871	73 715 749
Metric tonnes, 1977	42 257 755	36 269 182	78 526 937
% change	-12.8	1.7	-6.1
Cars, 1978	697,217	610,570	1,307,787
Cars, 1977	762,776	604,984	1,367,760
% change	-8.6	0.9	-4.4
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	3,154,209	1,134,569	4,288,778
Short tons, 1977	3,007,524	1,096,345	4,103,869
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 861 450	1 029 264	3 890 714
Metric tonnes, 1977	2 728 380	994 587	3 722 967
% change	4.9	3.5	4.5
Cars, 1978	94,936	45,846	140,782
Cars, 1977	91,910	47,220	139,130
% change	3.3	-2.9	1.2

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1977 figures have been revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended May 14, 1978 —
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Canadian railways loaded 3.9 million t (4.3 million short tons) of revenue freight in the above week, a 6.6% increase over the preceding seven days but a 17.8% drop from the 1977 period. The year-over-year decline was attributable to continued traffic losses in the East (-33.5%), resulting from work stoppages in the iron ore mines of Quebec and Newfoundland. Western loadings were off slightly in the latest seven days, declining 0.1%.

In the period January 1 to May 14, 1978, rail freight loadings at 73.7 million t (81.3 million short tons) were 6.1% below the previous year. The number of cars loaded was down 4.4%, while cumulative container-trailer (piggyback) traffic rose by 4.5%.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Selected Principal Statistics for Motor Vehicle Parts and Accessories Manufacturers

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 325		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	231	238	3.0
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	34,907	39,134	12.1
Man-hours paid	000's	74,999	84,046	12.1
Manufacturing wages	\$000	415,636	555,132	33.6
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	29,266	38,847	32.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	1,284,639	1,733,016	34.9
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	2,325,802	3,112,322	33.8
Value added	\$000	1,008,395	1,400,481	38.9
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	42,639	47,331	11.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	531,651	699,264	31.5
Total value added	\$000	1,028,860	1,428,498	38.8

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Motor Vehicle Parts and Accessories Manufacturers, 1976* (42-210, 70¢).

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Imports by Commodities, February 1978 (65-007, 80¢/\$8)

Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry, February 1978 (72-008, 40¢/\$4)

Gas Utilities, February 1978 (55-002, 30¢/\$3)

Refined Petroleum Products, Consumption of Petroleum Products, 1976 (45-208, 70¢)

Service Bulletin:

Education, Science and Culture Division (81-001, N/C), Vol. 7, No. 2, Travel Survey, April-June 1977

New Housing Price Indexes

(1976=100)

	Weights	% change				
		April 1978	March 1978	April 1977	Apr./78 Mar./78	Apr./78 Apr./77
St. John's	1.0	101.7	101.7	100.8	—	0.9
Halifax	1.7	102.2	102.2	102.3	—	-0.1
Quebec	3.6	117.7	115.9	109.9	1.6	7.1
Montreal	9.5	106.2	105.0	105.5	1.1	0.7
Ottawa-Hull	5.7	100.9	100.9	103.0	—	-2.0
Toronto	21.2	99.7	99.7	99.6	—	0.1
Hamilton	4.2	104.1	104.0	100.8	0.1	3.3
St. Catharines-Niagara	2.3	112.8	112.8	106.6	—	5.8
Kitchener	2.9	102.5	102.0	100.5	0.5	2.0
London	2.4	108.5	108.5	102.2	—	6.2
Windsor	1.0	111.1	110.9	104.4	0.2	6.4
Thunder Bay	0.9	114.7	114.7	107.4	—	6.8
Winnipeg	3.7	110.1	110.1	105.7	—	4.2
Regina	2.3	98.5	98.4	99.7	0.1	-1.2
Saskatoon	1.9	112.1	111.9	105.6	0.2	6.2
Calgary	9.9	114.6	114.5	108.1	0.1	6.0
Edmonton	9.8	110.9	110.9	105.8	—	4.8
Vancouver	10.6	97.9	97.9	100.0	—	-2.1
Victoria	1.9	95.4	95.8	97.8	-0.4	-2.5
Canada Composite (22 cities)	100.0*	105.1	104.9	103.2	0.2	1.8

* Surveys in New Brunswick, Sudbury and Prince George account for the remaining weight.

For further details on the changes in these indexes, contact Mr. L.J. Seary (613-994-9387), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Preliminary Report on Job Vacancies, Three Months Ended April 30, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates of the average number of jobs vacant on a daily basis during the three-month period ended April 30 show an increase of 2% from the previous three-month period. Vacancies for full-time, part-time and casual jobs were 37,500*. Compared with the three-month period a year ago, the number of vacancies decreased by 4,100 or 10%.

Vacancies for full-time jobs showed a slight increase from the preceding period to 33,500. Longer-term vacancies (jobs unfilled for more than four weeks) remained unchanged at 12,000.

For every 1,000 existing jobs in the latest three-month period four were vacant, the same as in the preceding period and a decrease of one from the comparable period a year ago. The highest vacancy rates were observed in Alberta (eight per 1,000) and Saskatchewan (five per 1,000). The lowest rate occurred in New Brunswick (three per 1,000).

* The Job Vacancy Survey provides an estimate of the average number of vacancies available on any given day in a three-month period. The estimate of this three-month average is derived from six observations taken at regular intervals. Consequently, the survey does not cover those vacancies which occur and are filled between individual observations. In addition, the survey does not cover openings in agriculture, fishing, hunting, trapping and households. The Job Vacancy Survey is now being conducted by mail only — personal interviews have been discontinued to reduce costs. Henceforth, estimates obtained from data collected by mail will be adjusted by a factor based on the measured effect of interviews on estimates produced over the past seven years. The data derived from the Job Vacancy Survey, taken over time, are

consistent and reliable indicators of trends in job openings. For detailed definitions and design of the survey see Canadian Job Vacancy Survey, Technical Appendix, 1972 (71-521, 50¢).

Vacancy Rates for Part-time and Full-time Jobs Canada and Provinces

	Three-month Periods Ending		
	Apr. 1978p	Jan. 1978	Apr. 1977
(Rates per 1,000 jobs)			
Canada(1)	4	4	5
Atlantic Provinces(2)	3	3	3
Newfoundland	4	3	3
Nova Scotia	4	3	3
New Brunswick	3	3	4
Quebec	4	4	4
Ontario	4	4	5
Manitoba	4	5	6
Saskatchewan	5	4	7
Alberta	8	9	10
British Columbia	4	4	4

p Preliminary estimates.

(1) Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories.

(2) Includes Prince Edward Island.

For further information, contact Mr. J.A. Boucek (613-992-2006), or Ms. M. Beaubien (613-996-7148), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Railway Operating Statistics, February 1978 — Advance Information

Six major Canadian railways showed combined net income of \$13.5 million in February, an increase of 53.3% over the \$8.8 million reported a year earlier. Total operating revenues increased 7.3% to \$279.9 million while operating expenses rose 5.7% to \$266.4 million.

Ton-miles in February 1978 declined 0.4%; freight train-miles were down 1.5%; and freight car-miles decreased by 3.1%. Passenger-miles, though, were higher by 13.5%, due entirely to a 16.5% increase in non-commuter or intercity travel. Passenger-miles generated in commuter services were down 13.5%.

In the first two months of 1978, operating revenues for the six railways were 8.7% above the year-earlier level; expenses increased 10.8%; and net income at \$11.4 million was more than double the \$5.2 million reported for January-February 1977.

Cumulative ton-miles were 1.5% higher in the latest period and passenger-miles were up 25.2%.

For further information, order the February issue of *Railway Operating Statistics* (52-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings, April 1978 — Advance Information

Railways in Canada loaded 17.6 million short tons (15.9 million t) of revenue freight in April, down 16.8% from a year earlier. Traffic received from the United States totalled 2.0 million short tons (1.8 million metric t), a decline of 2.5%.

Commodities showing significant percentage decreases from April 1977 were iron ore (-83.0%) and fuel oil (-28.4%). Wheat shipments increased 38.8% and grain shipments rose 17.6%.

For the first four months of 1978, freight loadings were down 4.1% from the same period in 1977 and receipts from U.S. connections declined 7.1%. The most notable decrease was for iron ore (down 65.2%). Loadings of logs, grain, sulphur, pulpwood chips and wheat all increased during the latest period.

For further information, order the April issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-001, 30¢/\$3) or, for seasonally-adjusted revenue freight loadings, contact Mr. J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Construction in Canada, 1976-1978 — Advance Information

Construction volumes for 1976 and 1977 amounted to \$33,131.2 million and \$35,753.2 million, respectively. The construction program anticipated for 1978 at \$37,865.5 million exceeds the 1977 volume by \$2,112.3 million or 5.9% compared with increases of 16.8% and 7.9% realized in 1976 and 1977 (the increase for 1977 was lower than the 8.1% that was anticipated earlier).

Expenditures in all provinces are expected to increase in 1978, including notable advances of 12.7% in both Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island, 8.3% in Nova Scotia, 8.0% in British Columbia and 7.5% in Saskatchewan. In 1978, new construction is estimated to be up 5.4% while the repair portion will show an increase of 8.5%.

The value of engineering type construction at 42.8% of the total expected volume for 1978 is up 9.4% over 1977 and the building activity portion (57.2%) is up 3.4% over the year before. The strength in the engineering group of structures is primarily due to projects classified under electric power construction and gas and oil facilities. In the area of building construction, the largest dollar volume increases are expected in residential structures and in commercial-type buildings such as office buildings, stores, warehouses, etc. Expenditures on industrial buildings will decrease by \$173.4 million (10.5%).

For additional information concerning construction expenditures by sector, province and by contract — own account breakdown, contact M. Hartley (613-994-9756), Construction Census Section, Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. *Construction in Canada, 1976-1978* (catalogue 64-201), which contains the tables accompanying this advance release, is scheduled for issue in June. (see tables on pages 4 and 5)

Sales of Cement, April 1978 — Advance Information

Advance information on sales of cement as reported by Canadian producers for the month of April is now available.

For details, contact Gordon McWade (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

The Dairy Review, March 1978 — Advance Information

An estimated 1,251,747,000 pounds of milk were produced for all purposes in March, down 1.9% from March 1977.

This brought the total estimate of production during the first three months of 1978 to 3,477,818,000 pounds, an increase of 1.4% from January-March 1977.

For further information, order the April issue of *The Dairy Review* (23-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended May 27, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended May 27 was 312,880 short tons (283 840 t), an increase of 2.3% from the preceding week's total of 305,732 short tons (277 355 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was 283,783 short tons (257 444 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 170.8 in the current week, 166.9 a week earlier and 154.9 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Selected Principal Statistics for Miscellaneous Wood Industries

1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 259		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	237	211	-11.0
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	5,336	5,447	2.1
Man-hours paid	000's	11,112	11,308	1.8
Manufacturing wages	\$000	47,873	54,050	12.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	6,715	9,696	44.4
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	121,141	127,376	5.1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	222,174	238,698	7.4
Value added	\$000	99,954	106,188	6.2
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	6,265	6,335	1.1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	59,495	67,222	13.0
Total value added	\$000	101,262	109,575	8.2

For further information, contact Mr. C.F. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Wood Industries*, 1976 (35-208, 70¢).

Total Value of Construction Work Performed — Type of Structure by New and Repair, Canada

1976-1978* ** ***

Type of Structure	1976			1977			1978		
	New	Repair	Total	New	Repair	Total	New	Repair	Total
Construction — Total	28,144,940	4,986,259	33,131,199	30,269,232	5,483,969	35,753,201	31,912,759	5,952,692	37,865,451
Building									
Construction — Total	17,346,517	3,125,148	20,471,665	17,580,243	3,361,348	20,941,591	18,000,552	3,655,728	21,656,280
Residential	10,852,532	1,816,814	12,669,346	10,931,954	2,018,674	12,950,628	11,343,871	2,240,365	13,584,236
Industrial	1,042,050	408,052	1,450,102	1,248,912	403,522	1,652,434	1,052,745	426,286	1,479,031
Commercial	3,181,718	446,042	3,627,760	3,011,454	434,124	3,445,578	3,100,945	453,710	3,554,655
Institutional	1,379,028	215,443	1,594,471	1,420,114	242,406	1,662,520	1,465,546	253,439	1,718,985
Other building construction	891,189	238,797	1,129,986	967,809	262,622	1,230,431	1,037,445	281,928	1,319,373
Engineering									
Construction — Total	10,798,423	1,861,111	12,659,534	12,688,989	2,122,621	14,811,610	13,912,207	2,296,964	16,209,171
Marine construction	118,651	52,622	171,273	145,047	55,685	200,732	161,291	59,145	220,436
Road, highway and aero-drome construction	1,965,858	428,429	2,394,287	2,249,460	507,372	2,756,832	2,356,349	507,842	2,864,191
Waterworks and sewage systems	1,343,580	118,254	1,461,834	1,455,380	130,731	1,586,111	1,515,181	138,232	1,653,413
Dams and irrigation	99,637	23,840	123,477	111,210	27,686	138,896	129,211	29,731	158,942
Electric power construction	2,693,526	203,834	2,897,360	3,459,978	231,075	3,691,053	4,105,920	258,006	4,363,926
Railway, tele-phone and telegraph	859,423	419,978	1,279,401	916,515	492,746	1,409,261	961,223	564,999	1,526,222
Gas and oil facilities	1,753,116	401,247	2,154,363	2,204,698	419,814	2,624,512	2,591,004	463,214	3,054,218
Other engineering construction	1,964,632	212,907	2,177,539	2,146,701	257,512	2,404,213	2,092,028	275,795	2,367,823

* Actual expenditures 1976, preliminary actual 1977, intentions 1978.

** In the Statistics Canada report *Private and Public Investment in Canada*, the total value of construction work performed is given as \$33,128.8 million for 1976, \$35,752.3 million for 1977 and \$37,866.2 million for 1978. The differences with values in this report are due to rounding procedures.

*** "Other building" and "Other engineering" contain structures which could not be published in their specific categories due to the secrecy provisions of the Statistics Act.

Total Value of Construction Work Performed — Labour Content and Cost of Materials Used, by Province

1976 — 1978 (1), (2), (3), (4)

Province and Year	Labour Content		Cost of Materials Used	Value of work Performed
	Number(4)	Value		
Canada				
1976	717,770	11,635,390	12,091,470	33,131,199
1977	655,588	12,531,502	12,987,215	35,753,201
1978	652,378	13,216,118	13,682,920	37,865,451
Newfoundland				
1976	17,470	265,162	268,614	733,028
1977	13,256	219,806	219,765	593,306
1978	14,079	246,702	246,757	668,901
Prince Edward Island				
1976	2,630	34,056	41,948	100,512
1977	3,000	41,458	53,017	123,797
1978	3,175	46,628	58,438	139,577
Nova Scotia				
1976	20,935	304,648	329,495	874,040
1977	19,884	318,643	341,683	908,002
1978	20,825	343,815	366,524	983,665
New Brunswick				
1976	23,799	325,136	315,035	892,979
1977	22,218	332,066	315,404	883,679
1978	22,151	350,044	333,824	936,572
Quebec				
1976	159,924	2,734,289	2,817,743	7,903,180
1977	152,502	2,953,659	3,015,641	8,676,518
1978	148,112	3,058,397	3,100,913	9,058,669
Ontario				
1976	222,004	3,605,275	3,784,763	10,065,954
1977	209,062	3,754,962	3,939,005	10,475,509
1978	207,494	3,945,205	4,160,993	11,060,677
Manitoba				
1976	27,029	470,534	446,927	1,287,615
1977	27,333	503,102	481,491	1,385,974
1978	27,207	528,923	515,092	1,465,635
Saskatchewan				
1976	32,169	506,218	519,439	1,421,590
1977	32,194	557,561	572,171	1,557,384
1978	32,387	597,209	605,573	1,674,357
Alberta				
1976	126,029	1,774,122	1,868,778	5,197,440
1977	94,836	2,121,976	2,243,351	6,195,413
1978	95,071	2,249,446	2,339,920	6,528,512
British Columbia(3)				
1976	85,781	1,615,950	1,698,728	4,654,861
1977	81,303	1,728,269	1,805,687	4,953,619
1978	81,877	1,849,749	1,954,886	5,348,886

(1) Actual expenditures 1976, preliminary actual 1977, intentions 1978.

(2) In the Statistics Canada report Private and Public Investment in Canada, the total value of construction work performed is given as \$33,128.8 million for 1976, \$35,752.3 million for 1977, and \$37,866.2 million for 1978. The differences with values in this report are due to rounding procedures.

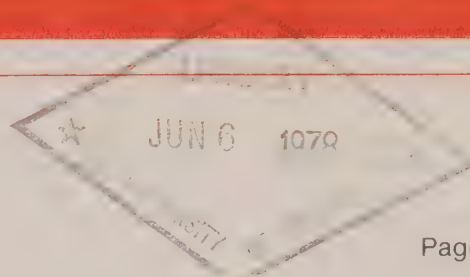
(3) British Columbia includes Northwest Territories and Yukon.

(4) Number of employees is given in equivalent man-years.

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Exports by Commodities

Full details on commodity-country export trade for March are now available either on microfiche or by telephone in advance of the regular publication, *Exports by Commodities* (65-004, 80¢/\$8). Direct information requests to G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Annual Review of Science Statistics, 1977 (13-212, \$2.10)

Dwellings and Households, Occupied Private Dwellings by Private Household Characteristics, 1976 Census of Canada (93-803, \$1.50)

Fish Freezings and Stocks, March 1978 (24-001, 40¢/\$4)

Oils and Fats, March 1978 (32-006, 30¢/\$3)
(continued)



**Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies
(Excluding Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island), February 1978 (35-002,
30¢/\$3)**

Service Bulletin:

Aviation Statistics Centre (51-004, \$4.20 per year), Vol. 10, No. 5, Canadian Air Transport Industry, Summary Statistics

A Means for Small Business to Measure Performance

A new series of studies which will enable small businesses to measure their performance against that of their field has been launched by the Merchandising and Services Division. The second study, *Operating Results, Independent Women's Retail Clothing Stores, 1975*, is now available.

The report gives mean and median data for key business costs and results as a proportion of net sales, nationally and by region. The categories of information reported: net sales; opening inventory; purchases; closing inventory; cost of goods sold; gross profit; employee salaries and wages; employee benefits; property taxes; rent; business taxes, permits and licences; insurance; interest, exchange and bank charges; depreciation; advertising; repairs and maintenance; legal and auditing fees; office and store supplies; telephone, heat, light and water; delivery, express and freight; travel and entertainment; all other expenses; total, all expenses; and net profit.

Order *Operating Results, Independent Women's Retail Clothing Stores, 1975* (63-604, 70¢ in Canada, 85¢ elsewhere). Further information is available from Mr. David Van Luven (613-996-9301), Analysis and Development Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

May 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	May 26/78 This week	May 19/78 Week ago	Apr. 28/78 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	108.7	107.7	104.7
Industrials	85	101.8	101.3	98.5
Foods	9	115.2	114.7	109.4
Alcoholic beverages	5	95.2	95.5	90.3
Textiles and clothing	3	143.7	143.9	138.1
Pulp and paper	7	140.2	141.0	138.2
Printing and publishing	5	112.6	112.1	104.4
Primary metals	4	111.0	110.8	107.8
Industrial mines	6	76.7	74.6	71.3
Metal fabricating	9	180.6	182.5	172.6
Non-metallic minerals	4	104.4	104.4	101.8
Petroleum	8	97.1	97.6	100.4
Chemicals	5	112.0	112.2	110.5
Construction	5	300.7	299.7	278.0
Trade	15	90.0	89.7	86.9
Utilities and services	28	110.2	110.0	107.3
Transportation	6	143.7	144.1	136.6
Pipelines	5	91.6	91.7	91.0
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	128.3	124.4	121.5
Telephone	4	115.9	115.3	111.4
Electric power	3	143.2	142.7	140.1
Gas distribution	5	87.1	87.1	87.5
Finances	21	140.9	136.3	131.5
Banks	8	141.4	135.7	132.4
Investment and loan	9	132.1	130.0	124.1
Insurance	4	178.9	176.3	155.8
Mining Index	17	131.7	126.0	116.8
Gold	9	283.1	270.5	250.2
Base metals	8	59.1	56.8	52.8
Uraniums	2	221.9	212.0	220.1
Primary oils and gas index	5	133.2	134.5	134.2

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Advance Estimates of Employees

March 1978

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Number of Employees									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted				
	Mar. 1978f	Feb. 1978p	Jan. 1978p	Dec. 1977r	Mar. 1977 (000's)	Feb. 1977	Mar. 1978f	Feb. 1978p	Jan. 1978p	Dec. 1977r
Industry Division										
Forestry	49.1	55.5	56.7	61.9	48.6	54.5	60.8	63.7	64.0	68.3
Mining (including milling)	134.1	140.5	140.1	138.4	137.1	136.2	135.7	142.6	142.0	139.8
Manufacturing	1,755.1	1,734.5	1,733.3	1,732.0	1,735.5	1,716.4	1,782.7	1,778.5	1,780.9	1,773.9
Construction	378.6	368.3	372.7	394.1	410.7	397.5	433.3	429.7	435.8	450.8
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	780.4	778.0	775.1	781.3	768.6	768.9	799.8	799.3	795.8	799.5
Trade	1,425.8	1,414.8	1,423.9	1,458.2	1,380.7	1,372.5	1,452.1	1,444.4	1,441.9	1,428.3
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	489.1	487.5	487.7	486.2	455.3	452.3	492.4	490.9	491.2	489.1
Total Service	2,550.1	2,531.1	2,518.8	2,495.3	2,450.7	2,411.3	2,528.7	2,520.8	2,520.9	2,521.2
Non-commercial Service	1,448.2	1,438.3	1,420.6	1,405.5	1,424.5	1,415.2	1,396.4	1,387.5	1,378.3	1,389.7
Commercial Service	1,101.8	1,092.8	1,098.2	1,089.8	1,026.2	996.1	1,132.3	1,133.3	1,142.6	1,131.6
Public Administration and Defence(1)	623.0	614.6	607.4	612.7	605.8	602.7	635.0	627.5	625.4	630.4
Total Non-agricultural Industries(2)	8,191.3	8,129.8	8,120.0	8,166.0	7,998.8	7,916.9	8,328.7	8,306.5	8,304.1	8,309.2
Total Non-agricultural Industries										
Newfoundland	120.7	122.1	122.8	124.5	122.3	120.1	128.5	130.3	131.2	129.2
Prince Edward Island	27.9	27.4	26.4	27.7	25.9	26.4	30.8	30.0	28.7	28.9
Nova Scotia	233.3	231.8	231.8	237.6	231.7	231.6	240.5	240.0	240.6	243.0
New Brunswick	178.1	177.2	178.6	183.6	179.2	177.3	187.1	188.2	189.4	191.7
Quebec	2,073.5	2,057.7	2,062.9	2,073.0	2,073.7	2,041.6	2,100.8	2,094.1	2,101.4	2,108.2
Ontario	3,312.8	3,295.7	3,285.4	3,302.3	3,196.3	3,176.7	3,370.3	3,362.4	3,353.1	3,359.3
Manitoba	339.3	336.3	336.0	338.3	335.8	335.6	346.6	344.4	343.1	343.7
Saskatchewan	248.3	244.4	246.3	251.0	244.9	244.4	253.3	249.6	251.5	253.9
Alberta	724.5	720.2	722.9	718.4	686.9	679.0	737.5	735.4	738.1	727.6
British Columbia	905.0	890.3	881.4	882.2	874.3	858.8	902.8	900.3	897.9	893.0
Canada(3)	8,191.3	8,129.8	8,120.0	8,166.0	7,998.8	7,916.9	8,328.7	8,306.5	8,304.1	8,309.2

f first estimate based on a limited number of returns

p preliminary figures

r revised figures

(1) Excludes military personnel

(2) Includes Fishing and Trapping

(3) Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories

Estimates of Employees, March 1978 — Advance Information

Revised and updated data on estimates of employees by province and industry for the period January 1961 to December 1976 are included in catalogue 72-516.

Monthly summary data is released on a regular basis in the Statistics Canada Daily. Detailed monthly information is published in catalogue 72-008, *Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry*, and is also available from Mr. G. Mahoney (613-992-3868), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

the same quarter of 1977. The estimated total of the liabilities of bankrupt firms was \$185,308,654 compared with the total of \$133,089,495 recorded in January-March 1977.

For further information, order the first quarter issue of *Commercial Failures* (61-002, 70¢/\$2.80), or contact R.R. Rotor (613-996-6631), Financial Institutions Section, Business Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Commercial Failures, First Quarter 1978 — Advance Information

According to preliminary figures, the total number of failures recorded under the provisions of the Bankruptcy and Winding-up Acts was 1,273 during the first quarter of 1978 in comparison with the total of 963 for

Summary of Net Shipments* of Rolled Steel Products

March 1978 — Advance Information.

	Domestic		Export		Total	
	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes
Ingot and semi-finished shapes	36,510	33 122	22,943	20 813	59,453	53 935
Rails	10,648	9 660	11,674	10 590	22,322	20 250
Wire rods	76,945	69 803	36,292	32 923	113,237	102 726
Structural shapes:						
Heavy	68,115	61 793	18,849	17 100	86,964	78 893
Bar-sized shapes	15,890	14 416	2,914	2 644	18,804	17 060
Concrete reinforcing bars	46,552	42 232	21	19	46,573	42 251
Other hot rolled bars	94,574	85 796	11,680	10 596	106,254	96 392
Tie plates and track material	7,974	7 234	3,407	3 091	11,381	10 325
Plates (including plates for pipes and tubes)	122,902	111 495	26,173	23 743	149,075	135 238
Hot rolled sheets and strip	227,051	205 976	20,130	18 262	247,181	224 238
Cold finished bars	8,749	7 938	560	508	9,309	8 446
Cold reduced sheets and strip, cold rolled						
other, coated	184,301	167 196	16,007	14 521	200,308	181 717
Galvanized sheets	94,458	85 691	17,044	15 462	111,502	101 153
Total	994,669	902 352	187,694	170 272	1,182,363	1 072 624

*Producers' shipments excluding producers' interchange.

For further information, order the March issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Selected Principal Statistics for Miscellaneous Textile Industries (N.E.S.)

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1899		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	262	244	-6.9
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	7,320	8,265	12.9
Man-hours paid	000's	15,046	16,749	11.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	51,546	64,244	24.6
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	2,338	3,580	53.1
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	167,475	193,447	15.5
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	314,786	373,968	18.8
Value added	\$000	149,811	181,163	20.9
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	9,212	10,521	14.2
Total salaries and wages	\$000	77,415	97,393	25.8
Total value added	\$000	157,566	186,435	18.3

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Textile Industries*, 1976 (34-210, \$1.05).

Oil Pipeline Transport, March 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian oil pipe lines received 2,416,000 barrels a day (383 927 m3D) of crude oil, condensate, pentanes plus and refined petroleum product in March, down 1.7% from the 2,459,000 B/D (390 760 m3D) received a year earlier. Receipts of domestic petroleum and products decreased 2.7% to 2,116,000 B/D (336 254 m3D), while imported petroleum and products receipts increased 5.6% to 300,000 B/D (47 673 m3D).

For further information, order the March issue of *Oil Pipe Line Transport* (55-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Production of Tea and Coffee, January-March 1978 — Advance Information

During the March quarter, production of roasted coffee was 32,443,000 lbs. (14 716 metric tonnes) compared to 33,614,000 lbs. (15 247 metric tonnes) in January-March 1977. Production of instant coffee was (x lbs.) (x metric tonnes) compared to 6,687,000 lbs. (3 033 metric tonnes). Production of tea was 8,784,000 lbs. (3 985 metric tonnes) compared to 13,597,000 lbs. (6 167 metric tonnes) a year earlier.

* Confidential to meet secrecy requirements of the Statistics Act.

For further information, order the first quarter issue of *Miscellaneous Food Preparations* (32-018, 35¢/\$1.40), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Charlottetown, Fredericton, Moncton, Saint John and Sydney by calling the operator and asking for ZENITH 22066. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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Selected Principal Statistics for the Miscellaneous Furniture and Fixtures Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2660		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	373	351	-5.9
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	10,370	9,724	-6.2
Man-hours paid	000's	21,721	20,685	-4.8
Manufacturing wages	\$000	89,174	95,515	7.1
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	3,495	3,947	12.9
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	185,798	203,890	9.7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	394,033	410,477	4.2
Value added	\$000	201,014	208,728	3.8
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	12,856	12,036	-6.4
Total salaries and wages	\$000	121,616	128,442	5.6
Total value added	\$000	215,727	217,547	0.8

For further information, contact Mr. G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Furniture and Fixtures Manufacturers, 1976* (35-213, 70¢).

Salt, April 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian shipments of salt and salt content of brine increased to 471,801 short tons in April from 434,329 short tons a year earlier. This brought the four-months output to 2,393,541 short tons in 1978 from 2,378,958 short tons in 1977.

For further information, order the April issue of *Salt* (26-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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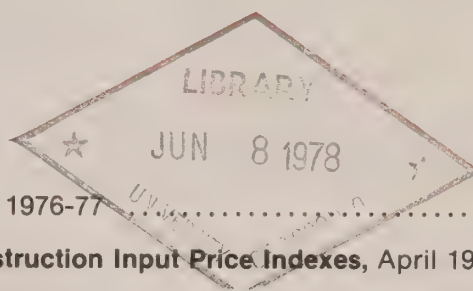
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Field Crop Reporting Series, No. 6, Telegraphic Crop Report, Prairie Provinces —
Available at 3 p.m., June 1, 1978 (22-002, \$5.60 for series of 20)

Families, Families by Size, 1976 Census of Canada (93-821, \$3.00)



Non-Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes

April 1978 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	Apr. 1977	% Change	
				Apr./78 Mar./78	Apr./78 Apr./77
Total Index	188.0	187.0r	174.4	0.5	7.8
Materials	176.3	174.3r	163.0	1.1	8.2
Steel and Metal Work	179.9	177.8	170.7	1.2	5.4
Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning	163.2	159.7	150.4	2.2	8.5
Electrical Equipment	164.9	164.7r	152.3	0.1	8.3
Concrete Products	204.2	203.9r	188.3	0.1	8.4
Lumber and Lumber Products	218.2	213.4r	173.2	2.2	26.0
Other	170.0	168.7r	161.1	0.8	5.5
Labour	201.0	201.0	187.1	—	7.4

r Revised figures.

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mrs. G. John (613-994-5807), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Union Wage Rate Indexes including selected pay supplements are now available for April 1978.

Federal Government Finance, 1976-77 — Advance Information

Gross general revenue receipts of the Federal Government amounted to \$38,313 million for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1977. Gross general expenditure was \$41,213 million, leaving a deficit of \$2,900 million.

Federal Government Finance, 1976-77 (catalogue 68-211) will be released at a later date. For further information, contact Mr. G.M. McIlveen (613-995-0669), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Asbestos, April 1978 — Advance Information

Producers' shipments of asbestos decreased to 106,171 short tons in April from 135,164 short tons in April 1977. This brought year-to-date shipments to 446,190 short tons in 1978 from 533,164 short tons in 1977.

For further information, order the April issue of *Asbestos* (26-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, March 1978 — Advance Information

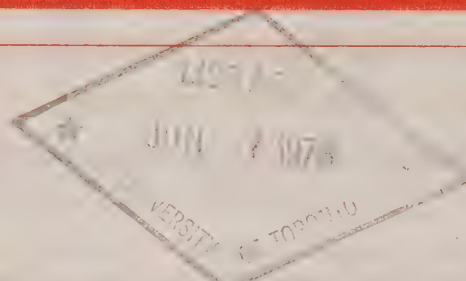
Sawmills in British Columbia produced 1,127.7 million feet board measure (2 661 000 m³) of lumber and ties in March compared to 1,143.8 million feet board measure (2 699 200 m³) a year earlier.

January to March production increased to 3,175.7 million feet board measure (7 493 800 m³) in 1978 from 3,168.3 million feet board measure (7 476 200 m³) in 1977.

For further information, order the March issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Provincial Economic Accounts

The first issue of *Provincial Economic Accounts, 1961-1976* should be available from the printer about 3 p.m. E.D.S.T. today. The volume contains tables of Provincial Gross Domestic Product and Expenditure at market price as well as Government Revenue, Expenditure and Surplus or Deficit by Level of Government.

For further information, order *Provincial Economic Accounts, 1961-1976* (catalogue 13-213, \$1.40), or contact Joel Diena (613-995-0611) or Miss B. Clift (613-995-0606), Gross National Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. To obtain these data from CANSIM on magnetic tape or computer printouts, contact Mrs. Debbie Day (613-995-7406), CANSIM staff, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z8.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Provincial Economic Accounts, 1961-1976 (13-213, \$1.40)

Families: Families by Family Structure and Family Type, 1976 Census of Canada (93-822, \$3)

Tuition and Living Accommodation Costs at Canadian Universities, 1977-78 and 1978-79 (81-219, 70¢)
(continued)

Housing Starts and Completions, January 1978 (64-002, 55¢/\$5.50)

Railway Operating Statistics, January 1978 (52-003, 30¢/\$3)

Transcontinental and Regional Air Carrier Operations, December 1977 (51-001, 40¢/\$4)

Grain Milling Statistics, March 1978 (32-003, 30¢/\$3)

Fruit and Vegetable Preparations, Quarter Ended March 31, 1978 (32-017, 35¢/\$1.40)

Production and Shipments of Plastic Bottles, Quarter Ended March 31, 1978 (47-006, 35¢/\$1.40)

Production and Shipments of Floor Tiles, April 1978 (47-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Oil Filters and Cartridges, April 1978 (41-016, 15¢/\$1.50)

Shipments of Domestic Mobile Homes, Quarter Ended March 31, 1978 (41-017, 35¢/\$1.40)

Service Bulletins:

Construction Statistics (63-003, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 1, No. 4, Construction Duration of Apartments by Size of Structure, 1977

Import and Export Price and Volume Indexes, March 1978 — Advance Information

Both the import and export current-weighted price indexes increased strongly in the first quarter of 1978 — the increase over the fourth quarter of 1977 was 4% for imports and 3% for exports. Compared with the first quarter of 1977, the increase was 14% for imports and 8% for exports.

Import volume fell 1.7% in the latest quarter, continuing a decline from the second quarter of 1977. In contrast, export volume increased 4.4% following a 4% rise in the fourth quarter.

For further information, order the April issue of *Summary of External Trade* (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

Import and Export Price and Volume Indexes

Price Indexes Weighted with Current Period Quantities
Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation
(1971 = 100)

	Imports	Exports
1975 Annual	157.4	173.1
1976 Annual	158.2	177.5
1977 Annual	174.2	188.7
1976		
IV Quarter	158.1	177.7
1977		
I Quarter	168.8	183.6
II Quarter	173.8	186.7
III Quarter	181.5	192.6
IV Quarter	184.3	192.4
1978		
I Quarter	191.7	198.1
1977		
October	182.4	191.4
November	184.0	192.2
December	187.0	193.1
1978		
January	192.6	200.1
February	193.9	196.0
March	188.6	198.6

Volume Indexes Weighted with 1971 Prices
Seasonally Adjusted
(1971 = 100)

	Imports	Exports
1975 Annual	141.1	107.8
1976 Annual	151.7	119.8
1977 Annual	154.7	130.8
1976		
IV Quarter	152.1	119.2
1977		
I Quarter	154.8	132.9
II Quarter	157.3	129.3
III Quarter	149.7	129.5
IV Quarter	149.3	134.8
1978		
I Quarter	146.8	140.7
1977		
October	152.0	139.6
November	153.0	129.4
December	143.2	136.5
1978		
January	138.5	129.4
February	159.0	148.1
March	143.0	144.5

Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, April 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of refrigerators rose to 42,530 units in April from 39,512 a year earlier, and month-end stocks totalled 105,476 units, up from 104,359. Domestic sales of home and farm freezers increased to 19,477 units from 17,956, and month-end stocks were up to 64,591 units from 62,510.

For further information, order the April issue of *Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers* (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Selected Principal Statistics for the Signs and Displays Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3970		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	414	391	-5.6
Manufacturing Activity				
Production and related workers	No.	4,701	4,798	2.1
Man-hours paid	000's	9,742	9,828	0.9
Manufacturing wages	\$000	41,654	46,452	11.5
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,689	2,038	20.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	51,542	56,573	9.8
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	135,707	149,276	10.0
Value added	\$000	83,107	90,996	9.5
Total Activity				
Total employees	No.	6,406	6,528	1.9
Total salaries and wages	\$000	63,973	71,138	11.2
Total value added	\$000	114,481	132,301	15.6

For further information contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Signs and Displays Industry* (47-209, 70¢).

New Motor Vehicle Sales, April 1978 — Advance Information

New motor vehicles sold in April totalled 136,990 units, up 7.6% from a year earlier. This included 82,147 passenger cars (up 6.8%) and 34,683 commercial vehicles (up 17.6%) manufactured in Canada and the U.S., and 18,857 passenger cars (down 3.5%) and 1,303 commercial vehicles (down 3.7%) manufactured overseas.

Total sales value increased 18.1% to \$931.0 million. Canadian and U.S. passenger cars sold for \$531.1 million (up 14.4%) and commercial vehicles for \$289.2 million (up 28.3%). Sales of passenger cars from overseas increased 12.2% to \$103.4 million and those of commercial vehicles increased 14.4% to \$7.4 million. Included in total commercial vehicles sold were 303 units of coaches and buses valued at \$8.4 million.

Seasonally-adjusted April sales of passenger cars manufactured in Canada and the U.S. decreased 1.5% from March to 66,578 units and those of passenger cars from overseas increased 3.6% to 16,942 units. Similarly-adjusted sales of all commercial vehicles were up 12.2% to 33,056 units.

For the first four months of 1978, total sales reached 439,005 units (446,991 in 1977), with an accumulated value of \$2,997.5 million. This represented an increase of 6.9% in value over sales for January-April 1977.

For further information, order the April issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, 30¢/\$3), or contact M. Kwilecki (613-996-9304), Retail Trade Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Stoves and Ranges, April 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of electric stoves and ranges in April decreased 3.1% to 36,510 units from 37,658 in April 1977. Closing inventory of these products decreased 14.6% to 78,875 units from 92,407 a year earlier.

For further information, order the April issue of *Stoves and Furnaces* (41-005, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, April 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of automatic washing machines rose to 29,851 units in April from 29,243 in April 1977. Conventional washing machine sales were 4,989 units compared to 4,304 (revised).

Canadian sales of electric clothes dryers were 24,578 units, up from 22,728 a year earlier. Gas dryer sales on the domestic market are confidential (due to the secrecy provisions of the Statistics Act).

For further information, order the April issue of *Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers* (43-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Radio and Television Receiving Sets, April 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers' domestic sales of "Made in Canada" colour television sets declined to 14,996 sets in April from 20,757 in April 1977.

For further information, order the April issue of *Radio and Television Receiving Sets* (43-004, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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University Teachers' Salary Scales

Copies of the final edition of *Salary Scales for Teachers at Canadian Universities, 1977-78* are available free of charge from N.D. Uppal (613-995-1105), Post-secondary Education Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Provincial Government Finance — Assets, Liabilities, Sources and Uses of Funds, 1974-75, 1975-76 Preliminary (68-209, \$2.10)

Homicide Statistics, 1976 (85-209, \$2.10)

Building Permits, January 1978 (64-001, 70¢/\$7)

Department Store Sales by Regions, April 1978 (63-004, \$1.50 a year)

Destination of Shipments of Manufacturers, 1974 (31-522, \$2.80)
(continued)



Farm Cash Receipts, March 1978 (21-001, 30¢/\$3)

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, May 1978 (32-009, 30¢/\$3)

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, May 1, 1978 (32-010, 30¢/\$3)

The Sugar Situation, April 1978 (32-013, 15¢/\$1.50)

Hardboard, April 1978 (36-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Motor Vehicle Shipments, April 1978 (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Products Made From Canadian Clays, March 1978 (44-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

Soaps and Synthetic Detergents, March 1978 (46-003, 30¢/\$3)

Industry Price Indexes, January 1978 (62-011, 55¢/\$5.50)

Service Bulletin:

Science Statistics (13-003, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 2, No. 4, The Annual Review of Science Statistics, 1977

Farm Cash Receipts, January-April 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates indicate that during the January-April period of 1978 farmers' total cash receipts from farming operations in all provinces except Newfoundland totalled \$3,661.2 million compared to \$3,332.7 million realized during the same period of 1977. These estimates include: cash receipts from the sale of farm products; Canadian Wheat Board participation payments on previous years' grain crops; cash advances on farm-stored grains in Western Canada; and deficiency payments made by the Agricultural Stabilization Board. No deduction is made for the cost incurred by farmers in the production of the commodities sold.

For further information, order the April issue of *Farm Cash Receipts* (21-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. G. Andrusiak (613-994-9876), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Total Cash Receipts from Farming Operations

January-April
(millions of dollars)

	1977	1978
Prince Edward Island	38.9	33.0
Nova Scotia	38.6	41.5
New Brunswick	40.7	35.7
Quebec	385.2	441.5
Ontario	821.0	993.6
Manitoba	269.1	315.4
Saskatchewan	863.4	865.2
Alberta	740.4	784.9
British Columbia	135.4	150.4
Canada	3,332.7	3,661.2

Department Store Sales by Regions, April 1978

Department store sales totalled \$560.0 million in April, an increase of 4.9% from a year earlier. Sales were up in all regions except Quebec.

Department store sales by regions for the latest month, with percentage changes from April 1977 in brackets:

- Ontario, \$207.8 million (4.6%).
- Quebec, \$106.2 million (-0.8%).
- British Columbia, \$89.6 million (16.0%).
- Alberta, \$73.2 million (4.9%).
- Atlantic Provinces, \$34.7 million (1.8%).
- Manitoba, \$32.9 million (3.9%).
- Saskatchewan, \$15.6 million (1.3%).

For further information, order the April issue of *Department Store Sales by Regions* (63-004, \$1.50 a year).

Electric Power Statistics, March 1978 — Advance Information

In March, net generation increased to 30.7 TW.h from 27.5 TW.h in March 1977. Hydro generation increased 8.3% while thermal production rose 19.8%.

For further information, order the March issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Selected Principal Statistics for Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3999		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	368	375	1.9
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	7,131	7,601	6.6
Man-hours paid	000's	14,320	14,281	-0.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	50,136	50,951	1.6
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,559	1,477	-5.3
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	85,506	96,036	12.3
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	189,337	197,658	4.4
Value added	\$000	103,901	101,736	-2.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	8,333	8,580	3.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	64,369	63,804	-0.9
Total value added	\$000	110,042	109,898	-0.1

For further information, contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries 1976* (47-205, \$1.05).

Selected Principal Statistics for Concrete Products Manufacturers

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3549		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	308	291	-6
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	4,270	4,253	-0.4
Man-hours paid	000's	9,051	9,086	0.4
Manufacturing wages	\$000	44,671	51,232	14.7
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	6,252	7,993	27.8
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	76,569	87,606	14.4
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	202,491	223,515	10.3
Value added	\$000	122,025	130,136	6.6
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	5,324	5,320	—
Total salaries and wages	\$000	60,298	68,281	13.2
Total value added	\$000	127,878	136,073	6.4

For further information, contact Mr. John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Concrete Products Manufacturers, 1976* (44-205, 70¢).

Tobacco and Tobacco Products, First Quarter 1978 — Advance Information

Stocks of unmanufactured tobacco (domestic and imported) at March 31 amounted to 139 968 short tons (126 977 t) compared to 119 121 short tons (108 065 t) held on the same date in 1977.

For further information, order the first quarter issue of *Tobacco and Tobacco Products Statistics* (32-014, 70¢/\$2.80), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Iron Ore, April 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian mines shipped 2,033,086 short tons of iron ore in April compared to 4,021,668 short tons a year earlier. This brought the four-months output to 6,892,391 short tons in 1978 from 9,386,776 short tons in 1977.

For further information, order the April issue of *Iron Ore* (26-005, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Charlottetown, Fredericton, Moncton, Saint John and Sydney by calling the operator and asking for ZENITH 22066. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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Selected Principal Statistics for Concrete Pipe Manufacturers

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3541		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	82	80	-2.4
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,333	2,032	-12.9
Man-hours paid	000's	4,940	4,269	-13.5
Manufacturing wages	\$000	24,653	23,904	-3.0
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	3,153	3,245	3.0
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	53,712	50,457	-7.4
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	129,974	126,637	-2.6
Value added	\$000	75,298	72,050	-4.3
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	2,974	2,634	-11.4
Total salaries and wages	\$000	33,025	32,966	-0.2
Total value added	\$000	77,095	73,468	-4.7

For further information, contact Mr. John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Concrete Pipe Manufacturers, 1976* (44-205, 70c)

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Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing

(1971=100)

	Relative Importance(1)	Index			Percent Change		Percent Contribution to Total Change	
		Apr.* 1978	Mar.* 1978	Apr. 1977	Apr./78 Mar./78	Apr./78 Apr./77	Apr. 78 Mar./78	Apr. 78 Apr./77
Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing	100.0	185.0	182.8	172.7	1.2	7.1	100.0	100.0
SIC Major Groups:								
1. Food and Beverage Industries	19.9	200.2	197.1	185.4	1.6	8.0	28.3	23.9
2. Tobacco Products Industries	1.1	147.7	147.3	138.7	0.3	6.5	0.2	0.8
3. Rubber and Plastics Products Industries	2.5	154.1	153.7	147.3	0.3	4.6	0.5	1.4
4. Leather Industries	0.9	185.0	182.7	172.6	1.3	7.2	0.9	0.9
5. Textile Industries	3.5	156.2	155.3	149.2	0.6	4.7	1.5	2.0
6. Knitting Mills	0.9	137.5	136.5	131.5	0.7	4.6	0.4	0.4
8. Wood Industries	4.7	217.4	214.9	181.5	1.2	19.8	5.4	13.8
9. Furniture and Fixture Industries	1.6	179.9	179.2	170.9	0.4	5.3	0.5	1.2
10. Paper and Allied Industries	8.2	202.1	195.7	192.8	3.3	4.8	24.0	6.2
12. Primary Metal Industries	8.4	203.2	198.9	190.4	2.2	6.7	16.5	8.7
13. Metal Fabricating Industries	7.5	182.1	179.8	169.4	1.3	7.5	7.9	7.8
14. Machinery Industries	4.4	165.8	165.0	156.5	0.5	5.9	1.6	3.3
16. Electrical Products Industries	6.8	154.3	153.9	146.9	0.3	5.0	1.2	4.1
17. Non-Metallic Mineral Products Industries	3.2	191.7	191.1	177.0	0.3	8.3	0.9	3.8
18. Petroleum and Coal Products Industries	4.2	237.2	237.1	237.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.1
19. Chemical and Chemical Products Industries	6.6	186.6	184.8	174.0	1.0	7.2	5.4	6.7
Other Major Groups(2)	15.6	158.3	157.6	146.4	0.4	8.1	4.6	14.9

* These indexes are preliminary.

(1) Group weights are based on 1971 value of shipments (Census of Manufacturers, 1971).

(2) Included are the following major groups: 7. Clothing Industries, 15. Transportation Equipment Industries, 20. Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries.

Industry Selling Price Index: Manufacturing
(1971=100), April 1978 — Advance Information

The Industry Selling Price Index for manufacturing moved up 1.2% in April to 185.0 from its revised March level of 182.8. The index was 7.1% higher than in April 1977 when it stood at 172.7. The major groups having the most effect on the total index in April were food and beverage industries, paper and allied industries and primary metal industries.

The food and beverage industries group index rose 1.6%, due largely to price increases of 3.9% for slaughtering and meat processors, 3.3% for feeds and 3.6% for breweries.

The paper and allied industries group index registered a 3.3% increase, mostly reflecting price increases of 4.4% for pulp and paper mills.

Increases to 3.1% for iron and steel mills and 2.1% for smelting and refining were mainly responsible for a rise of 2.2% in the primary metal industries group index.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending May 21

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	1,748,128	2,454,234	4,202,362
Short tons, 1977	2,900,253	2,426,794	5,327,047
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 585 875	2 226 444	3 812 319
Metric tonnes, 1977	2 631 065	2 201 550	4 832 615
% change	-39.7	1.1	-21.1
Cars, 1978	32,757	36,093	68,850
Cars, 1977	44,643	36,158	80,801
% change	-26.6	-0.2	-14.8
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	156,592	56,974	213,566
Short tons, 1977	157,403	58,302	215,705
Metric tonnes, 1978	142 058	51 686	193 744
Metric tonnes, 1977	142 794	52 891	195 685
% change	-0.5	-2.3	-1.0
Cars, 1978	4,914	2,321	7,235
Cars, 1977	4,898	2,362	7,260
% change	0.3	-1.7	-0.3
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	42,363,756	43,096,310	85,460,066
Short tons, 1977	49,481,454	42,406,724	91,888,178
Metric tonnes, 1978	38 431 753	39 096 315	77 528 068
Metric tonnes, 1977	44 888 820	38 470 733	83 359 553
% change	-14.4	1.6	-7.0
Cars, 1978	729,974	646,663	1,376,637
Cars, 1977	807,419	641,142	1,448,561
% change	-9.6	0.9	-5.0
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	3,310,801	1,191,543	4,502,344
Short tons, 1977	3,164,927	1,154,647	4,319,574
Metric tonnes, 1978	3 003 508	1 080 950	4 084 458
Metric tonnes, 1977	2 871 173	1 047 478	3 918 651
% change	4.6	3.2	4.2
Cars, 1978	99,850	48,167	148,017
Cars, 1977	96,808	49,582	146,390
% change	3.1	-2.9	1.1

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1977 figures have been revised — 1978 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended May 21, 1978 —
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Rail freight loaded in Canada in the above seven days totalled 3.8 million t (4.2 million short tons), a decline of 21.1% from the same 1977 week. Loadings east of the Lakehead were down 39.7%, again reflecting the impact of a strike (in its 10th week) at iron mines in Quebec and Labrador. Tonnage originating in the West rose by 1.1%.

Container-trailer (piggyback) traffic was below the year earlier level in both regions of the country, decreasing 0.5% in the East and 2.3% in the West for an over-all decline of 1.0%.

From January 1 to May 21, 1978, the volume of freight loaded totalled 77.5 million t (85.5 million short

tons), down 7.0% from the corresponding 1977 period. Cumulative container-trailer (piggyback) movements showed an increase of 4.2%.

For further information, contact Mr. J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Urban Transit, April 1978 — Advance Information

In April, 56 urban transit systems collected 103,027,273 initial passenger fares. The total distance run was 31,572,905 miles (50 811 664 km) and operating revenues amounted to \$36,253,074.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-996-9271), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6 or order the April issue of *Urban Transit* (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50).

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural)

		1977		1978	
		Year-to-Date	April	Year-to-Date	April
		19	19	20	20
Carriers Reporting					
Revenue Earned					
Intercity & Rural Services	\$	37,556,730r*	10,552,044r*	41,267,769	10,720,825
Urban-Suburban Services	\$	127,580r	34,125r	102,035	25,772
Other Services (e.g. charter)	\$	5,719,301r	1,511,884r	13,892,575	3,562,577
Fare Passengers Carried					
Intercity & Rural Services	No.	10,087,596r*	2,736,642r*	10,572,753	2,705,636
Urban-Suburban Services	No.	234,629	62,615	243,637	60,799
Other Services (e.g. charter)	No.	**	**	**	**
Total Distance Run					
Intercity & Rural Services	miles:	36,974,524r*	9,870,121r*	36,942,574	9,512,490
	km:	59 504 728r*	15 884 420r*	59 453 310	15 308 869
Urban-Suburban Services	miles:	123,701	32,961	128,102	31,687
	km:	199 077	53 046	206 160	50 995
Other Services (e.g. charter)	miles:	4,213,403r	1,195,753r	11,514,283	2,779,092
	km:	6 780 815r	1 924 378r	18 530 442	4 472 515
Fuel Consumed					
Diesel Oil	gal.:	6,127,952r	1,586,830r	6,317,136	1,611,401
	litres:	27 858 221r	7 213 871r	28 718 268	7 325 573
Gasoline	gal.:	34,826r	9,621r	1,257,358	305,744
	litres:	158 322r	43 738r	5 716 062	1 389 939

* Includes charter operations of one intercity bus company.

** The number of fare passengers carried for "Other Services" is not kept by all carriers.

r Revised figures.

Passenger Bus Statistics (Intercity and Rural), April 1978 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily

The accompanying table contains statistics on passenger bus carriers earning \$500,000 or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations. Cumulative data for the year serves as preliminary information on a significant portion of the industry until definitive annual statistics are available. Figures have been added showing total distance run and fuel consumed, using the International System of Units — this is the most modern version of the metric system, supported by the International Bureau of Weights and Measures and is the system of units which Canada is adopting.

The following observations apply to the data in this release:

- Data relating to other services such as charter or contract are specific to the surveyed passenger bus carriers and are not indicative of over-all charter and contract operations.
- Passengers paying a fare to the operator of one vehicle and travelling on a second or third vehicle on a transfer are counted for the first vehicle only.
- Total distance run in a revenue service includes distance run empty which was necessary to provide the revenue service.

For further information, contact the Chief (613-996-9271), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Consolidated Government Finance, 1975 — Advance Information

Consolidated revenue for all levels of government for the fiscal year ending nearest to December 31, 1975 totalled \$66,291 million, an increase of \$6,231 million (10.4%) over 1974. Tax revenue of \$53,185 million showed an increase of \$4,518 million (9.3%) while non-tax revenue at \$13,106 million was up \$1,713 million (15.0%) over 1974.

Consolidated expenditure for all levels of government amounted to \$71,810 million for the fiscal year ending nearest to December 31, 1975, a rise of \$12,512 million or 21.1% over 1974. The largest expenditures were for social welfare at \$16,156 million (22.5% of the total), education at \$10,653 million (14.8%) and health at \$8,961 million (12.5%). In comparison, these functions comprised 17.2%, 17.1% and 10.3%, respectively, of total consolidated government expenditure for 1966.

For further information, contact Mr. G. Lyttle (613-995-0664), Research and Consolidation Section, Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Selected Principal Statistics for Women's Clothing Contractors

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2442		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	301	277	-8.0
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	9,156	9,428	3.0
Man-hours paid	000's	17,617	18,186	3.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	53,605	60,317	12.5
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	536	579	8.0
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	5,833	11,241	92.7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	76,373	86,958	13.9
Value added	\$000	69,994	75,340	7.6
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	9,595	9,711	1.2
Total salaries and wages	\$000	57,366	63,730	11.1
Total value added	\$000	69,855	75,561	8.2

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Women's and Children's Clothing Industries* 1976 (34-217, \$1.05).

Miscellaneous Food Processors

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1089		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	245	251	2.4
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	11,508	11,611	0.9
Man-hours paid	000's	23,406	23,838	1.8
Manufacturing wages	\$000	108,021	128,758	19.2
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	19,204	24,647	28.3
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	952,394	1,027,914	7.9
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	1,533,537	1,708,718	11.4
Value added	\$000	565,147	655,061	15.9
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	19,815	20,014	1.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	215,851	250,571	16.1
Total value added	\$000	613,387	703,558	14.7

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Food Processors*, 1976 (32-224, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Miscellaneous Non-metallic Mineral Products Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3599		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	80	83	3.7
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	5,225	5,158	-1.3
Man-hours paid	000's	10,997	10,678	-2.9
Manufacturing wages	\$000	58,299	70,349	20.6
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	14,911	20,911	40.2
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	148,086	172,463	16.4
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	370,753	421,610	13.7
Value added	\$000	212,289	234,026	10.2
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	8,478	8,319	-1.8
Total salaries and wages	\$000	103,352	118,276	14.4
Total value added	\$000	237,368	270,214	13.8

For further information, contact John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Non-metallic Mineral Products Industries*, 1976 (44-210, 70¢).

Housing Starts, in Centres of 10,000 Population and Over (Dwelling Units)

April

	1977					1978				
	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total	Single	Double	Row	Apt.	Total
Newfoundland	31	2	—	—	33	18	—	—	—	18
Prince Edward Island	2	—	—	—	2	3	—	—	—	3
Nova Scotia	145	16	15	195	371	122	—	—	21	143
New Brunswick	52	4	—	108	164	40	2	—	50	92
Quebec	1,613	72	112	1,569	3,366	1,270	250	30	1,522	3,072
Ontario	1,805	895	1,064	996	4,760	1,172	564	241	2,189	4,166
Manitoba	270	26	25	99	420	244	58	115	576	993
Saskatchewan	174	14	—	738	926	182	66	—	157	405
Alberta	749	248	967	667	2,631	1,133	280	185	576	2,174
British Columbia	1,042	147	334	765	2,288	1,107	146	275	23	1,551
Canada Unadjusted	5,883	1,424	2,517	5,137	14,961	5,291	1,366	846	5,114	12,617
Canada, adjusted annual rate (000's)	71.2	114.6		185.8		68.8	94.3		163.1	
Canada Cumulative	16,111	3,926	5,925	19,079	45,041	15,529	5,084	5,351	27,153	53,117
Newfoundland	129	22	—	32	183	61	22	10	31	124
Prince Edward Island	9	2	—	—	11	12	—	—	—	12
Nova Scotia	445	42	109	268	864	418	16	18	351	803
New Brunswick	97	6	—	166	269	147	6	—	90	243
Quebec	5,024	315	217	6,983	12,539	3,523	529	95	7,173	11,320
Ontario	3,739	2,258	2,700	4,413	13,110	3,311	1,976	1,437	7,532	14,256
Manitoba	760	289	119	1,003	2,171	707	461	562	2,877	4,607
Saskatchewan	834	44	124	1,251	2,253	646	224	16	1,306	2,192
Alberta	2,068	482	1,664	1,784	5,998	3,649	1,248	2,354	4,890	12,141
British Columbia	3,006	466	992	3,179	7,643	3,055	602	859	2,903	7,419

For further information, order the April issue of *Housing Starts and Completions* (64-002, 55¢ \$5.50), or contact J.P. Déglise (613-994-9527), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Selected Principal Statistics for Other Knitting Mills

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2392		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	158	148	-6.3
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	12,672	12,674	—
Man-hours paid	000's	25,882	25,849	-0.1
Manufacturing wages	\$000	80,522	91,360	13.5
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	2,189	2,549	16.5
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	124,088	136,159	9.7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	289,176	306,620	6.0
Value added	\$000	161,991	170,973	5.5
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	14,192	14,148	-0.3
Total salaries and wages	\$000	101,249	113,173	11.8
Total value added	\$000	166,180	170,415	2.6

For further information, contact Mr. E. Gluck (613-992-3141), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Knitting Mills, 1976* (34-215, \$1.05).

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, April 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary statistics for April show that 1.8 million United States visitors entered Canada, down 9.8% from April 1977. Canadian residents returning from the U.S. numbered 3.0 million, a decrease of 7.4% from April 1977. Visitors entering Canada from countries other than the U.S. totalled 78,100, up 3.8%, while Canadian travellers returning from these countries increased by 13.8% to 168,500. (It should be noted that Easter was celebrated in March this year but in April in 1977).

On a year-to-date basis, 5.9 million U.S. visitors entered Canada, a decline of 2.4% from January-April

1977, while the number of Canadian travellers returning from the U.S. totalled 10.5 million, down 0.7% from the same period in 1977. Visitors from other countries increased by 6.3% to 213,200, while Canadian residents returning from these countries totalled 713,000, an increase of 5.6% over the first four months of 1977.

For further information, order the April issue of *International Travel — Advance Information* (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. Mike Valiquette (613-995-0847), International Travel Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Selected Principal Statistics for the Miscellaneous Petroleum and Coal Products Industry 1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3690		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	45	46	0.2
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	712	689	-3.2
Man-hours paid	000's	1,511	1,498	-0.8
Manufacturing wages	\$000	8,117	8,298	2.2
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	2,742	3,206	16.9
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	45,739	47,594	4.0
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	86,459	92,085	6.5
Value added	\$000	39,126	41,448	5.9
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	984	982	-0.2
Total salaries and wages	\$000	12,603	13,454	6.7
Total value added	\$000	43,641	45,750	4.8

For further information, contact John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Petroleum and Coal Products Industries*, 1976 (45-207, 70¢).

Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, January-April 1978 — Advance Information

Sales of farm implements and equipment (including repair parts) for January to April 1978 were valued at \$326.1 million, an increase of 2.9% from the January to April 1977 figure of \$316.8 million.

Repair parts for the latest period had a value of \$51.8 million compared with \$46.7 million in 1977.

For further information, order the April issue of *Farm Implement and Equipment Sales* (63-009, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact the Merchandising and Services Division (613-996-9307), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Shipping Statistics, 1977 — Advance Information

Preliminary shipping data for the annual publications *Shipping Reports, Parts I to V*, are now available in advance of the final data released in the regular publications. Part I presents *International Seaborne Shipping (by Country)* (54-202, \$2.80); Part II, *International Seaborne Shipping (by Port)* (54-203, \$1.05); Part III, *Coastwise Shipping* (54-204, \$1.40); Part IV, *Origin and Destination for Selected Ports* (54-206, \$2.10); and Part V, *Origin and Destination for Selected Commodities* (54-207, \$1.05).

Also available are preliminary origin and destination statistics for non-selected ports and non-selected commodities in both international and domestic shipping.

For further information, contact Mr. D. Chartrand (613-996-9274), Chief, Water Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Radio Broadcasting, February 1978 — Advance Information

Gross national AM and FM radio air-time sales were \$5.5 million in February, an increase of 7.8% from \$5.1 million in February 1977. Agency and other commissions reduced gross national sales to \$4.7 million, up 6.8% from \$4.4 million in the previous year. Net local air-time sales rose 3.1% to \$13.3 million from \$12.9 million.

Gross radio air-time sales for the first two months of 1978 totalled \$39.0 million compared to \$35.6 million in January-February 1977, an increase of 9.6%. Net sales rose 9.6% to \$36.4 million from \$33.3 million.

For further information, order the February issue of *Radio Broadcasting* (56-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. P.T. Crosby (613-996-9274), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Industrial Chemicals, April 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers shipped 69,963,096 pounds (31 734 726 kg) of polyethylene-type synthetic resins in April compared to 63,014,571 pounds (28 582 928 kg) in April 1977.

For further information, order the April issue of *Specified Chemicals* (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended June 3, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended June 3 was 316,138 short tons (286 796 t), a decrease of 0.4% from the preceding week's revised total of 317,308 short tons (287 857 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was 275,224 short tons (249 679 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 172.5 in the current week, 173.2 (revised) a week earlier and 150.2 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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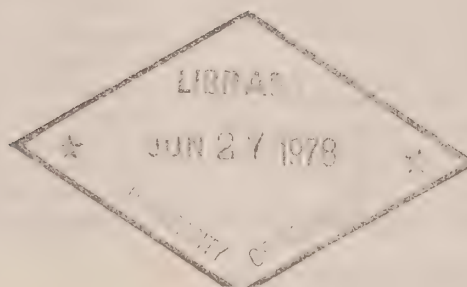
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Employment, Earnings and Hours, February 1978 (72-002, 70¢/\$7)



Unemployment Insurance Statistics

	Mar. 1978	Feb. 1978	Mar. 1977	% Change From	
				Feb. 1978	Mar. 1977
Benefits					
Amount paid(\$000)	471,167	460,890	428,029	2	10
Weeks of benefit (000)	4,266	4,182	4,245	2	—
Average weekly benefit (\$)	110.46	110.21	100.83	—	10
Claims received (000)	207	211	211	-2	-2
Beneficiaries (000)	983p	1,017p	911	-3	8

	To Date		% Change From	
	1978	1977	3 Months 1978	1977
Benefits				
Amount paid (\$000)	1,445,732	1,204,127		20
Weeks of benefit (000)	13,160	11,927		10
Average weekly benefit (\$)	109.86	100.95		9
Claims received (000)	718	678		6
Beneficiaries(1) (000)	1,004p	910		10

(1) Monthly average
p Preliminary figures

For further information order the March 1978 issue of *Preliminary Unemployment Insurance Statistics* (73-001-p) or *Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act* (73-001). Quarterly, \$1.05 \$4.20) or contact George Fincham (613-992-7461) Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Preliminary Report on Unemployment Insurance Statistics, March 1978 — Advance Information

Some 983,000* persons received unemployment insurance benefits for the week ending March 18, a decrease of 3% from the previous month but 8% more than in March 1977. Thirty-six percent of the beneficiaries were under 25 years of age and the proportions of males and females in this group were about the same.

Unemployment insurance benefits paid in March totalled \$471* million, an increase of 2% from February and up 10% from March 1977. The payout for the first quarter amounted to \$1,446 million, 20% greater than in January-March 1977. More weeks of benefit paid and a rise in the average weekly payment contributed equally to the increase in the year-to-date payments.

Claims filed by persons applying for benefits numbered 207,000 in March, down 2% from both the previous month and the same month a year earlier. During the first quarter of 1978, the claim load totalled 718,000, up 6% from a year earlier.

* The count of beneficiaries cannot be related to the benefit payments made during a month. Whereas the latter figure covers all benefit payments made during the month, the count of beneficiaries represents the number of persons receiving benefit for a specific week each month.

Telephone Statistics, April 1978 — Advance Information

Thirteen major telephone systems reported monthly revenues of \$343.5 million in April, up 17.8% over April 1977. Operating expenses were \$233.4 million, an increase of 11.6%. Net operating revenue at \$110.1 million showed an increase of 33.4% over April 1977. Telephone toll messages increased 11.0% to 85.7 million.

For further information, order the April issue of *Telephone Statistics* (56-002, \$1.50 a year), or contact Patrick Crosby (613-996-9274), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Oilseeds, April 1978 — Advance Information

Crushings of oilseeds for April, with oil produced and meal produced (all figures in metric tonnes):

- Soybeans: 55 550.65 (9 398.38; 43 164.33).
- Rapeseed: 63 772.19 (26 484.58; 36 488.58).

For further information, order *Oilseeds Review* (22-006, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact J.M. Huard (613-994-9956), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers, April 1978 — Advance Information

Producers' trade and industrial sales of paints, varnishes and lacquers totalled \$46,193,622 in April compared to a revised \$40,563,644 in April 1977.

For further information, order the April issue of *Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers* (46-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J. Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Shipments of Paper Grocery Bags and Check Stand Sacks by Canadian Manufacturers

	Eastern Canada		Western Canada		Canada Total	
	April 1977	April 1978	April 1977	April 1978	April 1977	April 1978
(thousands of bags)						
Standard Grocery Bags						
Size						
1 4 and 1 2	3,485	2,892	669	1,665	4,154	4,557
1	} 7,312	7,996	2,689	4,283	3,660	5,692
2						
3 and 4	9,113	10,696	2,125	2,911	6,341	6,587
5	17,960	20,712	3,616	5,254	11,238	13,607
6	3,587	5,020	3,441	4,945	21,576	25,966
7	} 8,984	9,318	5,476	7,182	7,028	9,965
8						
10	13,022	15,101	3,156	4,674	3,328	4,595
12	3,370	5,986	2,336	2,476	11,132	11,905
14	7,566	9,382	3,621	4,521	16,178	19,775
20	17,199	19,419	6,170	8,424	5,706	8,462
Total	91,598	106,522	33,299	46,335	124,897	152,857
Check Stand Sacks						
No. 1	10,452	7,021	5,719	5,633	16,171	12,654
No. 2	10,078	12,551	—	—	10,078	12,551
No. 3	25,975	34,639	27,154	28,780	53,129	63,419
Nos. 4 and 5	1,050	1,495	—	—	1,050	1,495
Total	47,555	55,706	32,873	34,413	80,428	90,119

For further information, contact G. W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather, April 1978 — Advance Information

In April, packers, dealers and tanners held 244,583 cattle hides, down from 276,764 a year earlier. Cattle hide receipts increased to 178,889 from 156,817 and wettings increased to 201,852 from 166,438.

For further information, order the April issue of *Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather* (33-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Imports by Commodities

Full details on commodity-country import trade for March are now available either on microfiche or by telephone in advance of the regular publication, *Imports by Commodities* (65-007, 80¢/\$8). Direct information requests to G.L. Blaney (613-992-8896), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

University Teachers' Salaries, 1975-76

The final edition of *Salaries of Full-time Teaching Staff at Canadian Universities and Colleges, 1975-76* is available free of charge upon request. For further information, contact Mr. N.D. Uppal (613-995-1105/6), Post-Secondary Education Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Field Crop Reporting Series, No. 7, Telegraphic Crop Report, Prairie Provinces —
Available at 3 p.m., June 8, 1978 (22-002, \$5.60 for series of 20)

Consumer Prices and Price Indexes, January-March 1978 (62-010, \$1.40/\$5.60)

Profile Studies, Where Canadians Work, 1971 Census of Canada (99-719, \$1)

Construction Price Statistics, May 1978 (62-007, 40¢/\$4)

Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act, October-December 1977 (73-001, \$1.05/\$4.20)

Sales Financing, March 1978 (63-013, 30¢/\$3)

Rubber Products Industries, 1976 (33-206, 70¢)

Salt Mines, 1976 (26-214, 70¢)

Cemented Tungsten Carbide Blanks and Tools, April 1978 (41-013, 15¢/\$1.50)

Asbestos, April 1978 (26-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Gypsum Products, April 1978 (44-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletins:

Metals and Minerals (41-010, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 5, No. 16, Consumption of Non-Metallic Minerals, 1976

Metals (41-018, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 6, No. 1, Consumption of Magnesium Metal, 1977

Road Transport (53-006, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 7, No. 1, Road Motor Vehicles — Registrations, 1976

Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments, First Quarter 1978

In the first quarter of 1978 the seasonally-adjusted current account deficit fell to \$637 million from \$803 million in the previous quarter. Unadjusted for seasonal variations this deficit was \$1,417 million. Estimated capital movements (which are not seasonally adjusted) led to a net inflow of \$216 million while the balancing item representing net errors and omissions in the recorded estimates of the current and capital accounts was equivalent to a net outflow of \$393 million. The over-all deficit financed by net official monetary movements was, therefore, \$1,594 million.

The main quarterly movements were:

- An increase in the seasonally-adjusted surplus on merchandise trade which widened by \$274 million to \$1,383 million as the value of exports rose at a faster pace than imports. This reflected an increased volume of exports and a fall in imports accompanied by rising prices for both exports and imports.
- A deterioration in the seasonally-adjusted travel account which rose by one-third to a deficit of \$471 million.
- A 50% rise in the net inflow from capital movements in long-term forms to \$673 million from \$441 million in the previous quarter.
- Rises in Canadian new issues abroad and foreign direct investment in Canada and declines in export credits and Canadian government advances to non-residents, which also had the effect of increasing the balance on long-term capital inflows.

- A reduction by non-residents in their holdings of outstanding long-term Canadian bonds, and an increase in Canadian direct investment abroad, both having the effect of reducing the balance on long-term capital inflows.

- A swing in short-term capital movements of \$1,560 million to an outflow of \$457 million, which, in addition to entries associated with the Government's foreign currency borrowing from Canadian chartered banks largely reflected a decline in non-resident holdings of Canadian money market paper and Canadian dollar deposits.

- Official financing of \$1,594 million which reflected a decline in reserve assets of \$750 million even after the absorption into the reserves of \$844 million representing the Canadian dollar equivalent of the U.S. \$750 million borrowed from Canadian chartered banks.

The quarter opened with the Canadian dollar valued at about 91.41 U.S. cents. By the end of March it had fallen to 88.19 U.S. cents. Similar declines in value were experienced vis-à-vis other major currencies. To withstand the pressure on the Canadian dollar in international exchange markets, the Government, in addition to drawing U.S. \$750 million on its standby facility with the Canadian chartered banks also announced other arrangements it was making to obtain funds from foreign capital markets. None of the funds available under these other arrangements were delivered in the first quarter of 1978.

Selected Principal Statistics for the Shingle Mill Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2511		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	69	69	0
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	1,503	1,690	12.4
Man-hours paid	000's	2,942	3,359	14.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	19,569	25,089	28.2
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	974	1,251	28.4
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	27,872	43,668	56.7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	62,656	90,295	44.1
Value added	\$000	33,997	46,644	37.2
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	1,609	1,813	12.7
Total salaries and wages	\$000	21,361	27,379	28.2
Total value added	\$000	34,143	46,570	36.4

For further information, contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-5140), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Sawmills and Planing Mills and Shingle Mills*, 1976 (35-204, 70¢).

Building Permits

(million of dollars)

		1977					1978				
		Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total	Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total
Canada —	Jan.	261.6	42.5	116.5	59.9	480.5	279.4	48.0	116.2	92.2	537.8
Unadjusted	Feb.	353.6	49.9	174.6	67.4	645.5	350.5	47.6	141.9	84.8	624.8
	Mar.	719.4	61.0	176.6	133.1	1,090.1	559.9	54.7	244.0	81.7	940.3
Canada —	Jan.	585.2	84.5	190.9	106.3	996.9	609.3	92.0	175.2	158.1	1,034.6
Adjusted	Feb.	585.1	93.8	205.3	98.9	983.1	583.2	88.5	165.7	123.3	960.7
	Mar.	718.9	84.4	169.3	121.8	1,094.4	566.1	76.8	251.3	77.8	972.0
Canada Jan.-Mar.											
Unadjusted		1,334.6	153.5	467.6	260.4	2,216.1	1,189.8	150.3	502.1	260.6	2,102.8
Newfoundland		4.1	0.1	6.2	3.5	13.9	3.9	0.4	2.7	1.8	8.8
Prince Edward Island		3.7	2.8	0.5	1.6	8.6	3.8	1.5	1.4	2.5	9.2
Nova Scotia		27.9	0.8	7.9	6.6	43.2	28.4	0.7	4.5	13.3	46.9
New Brunswick		6.8	0.7	8.3	2.3	18.1	6.4	4.0	8.5	3.8	22.7
Quebec		281.0	29.3	67.8	88.4	466.5	237.5	21.0	66.0	42.0	366.5
Ontario		420.3	76.1	156.9	69.4	722.7	306.5	75.4	180.6	48.1	610.6
Manitoba		55.5	2.3	20.3	10.9	89.0	58.9	2.0	14.1	31.6	106.6
Saskatchewan		58.7	5.1	19.8	4.1	87.7	42.6	0.9	13.8	12.3	69.6
Alberta		226.0	21.6	95.0	33.0	375.6	310.2	26.3	127.4	75.2	539.1
British Columbia		248.8	14.7	84.6	40.6	388.7	188.2	18.1	81.8	29.5	317.6
Northwest Territories		1.8	0.0	0.3	0.0	2.1	3.4	0.0	1.3	0.5	5.2

Building Permits, March 1978 — Advance Information

Building permits improved slightly in March to a seasonally-adjusted level of \$972 million from a revised \$961 million in February but were 11.2% lower than in March 1977 when the value was \$1,094 million.

Non-residential permits rose to an adjusted \$406 million (\$378 million in February) but residential permits continued their prolonged slump, declining to a level of \$566 million (\$583 million in February). The decrease in residential construction was caused by a further drop in the number of multiple dwellings authorized, which totalled 6,793 compared to 8,523 in February, seasonally adjusted. However, the number of single-detached homes increased from a seasonally-adjusted 7,626 units in February to 9,058 in March. Translated into annual rates, the March figure indicates an annual total of 190,200 dwellings compared to 193,800 in February and 226,400 in January.

In the non-residential sector, commercial projects rose to a seasonally-adjusted value of \$251 million from \$166 million in February but new industrial projects decreased to \$77 million from \$89 million and government-sponsored projects totalled only \$78 million compared to \$123 million in February.

Preliminary returns for the month of April reflect improvements in both residential and non-residential building permits, with an indication that new authorized dwellings may reach an annual rate of 220,000 units.

For further information, order the March issue of *Building Permits* (64-001, 70¢/\$7), or contact Mr. J.P. Delisle (613-994-9312), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Building Permits

March 1978

	Number of Dwelling Units			Value of Residential and Non-Residential Construction				
	Singles	Multiples	Total	Residen- tial	Indus- trial	Commer- cial ((\$000))	Institu- tional and govern- mental	Total
Newfoundland	21	2	23	909	233	504	213	1,859
Prince Edward Island	39	6	45	1,633	1,149	30	—	2,812
Nova Scotia	246	162	408	12,765	295	1,860	1,413	16,333
New Brunswick	71	37	108	3,450	810	3,254	2,268	9,782
Quebec	2,494	2,075	4,569	138,666	8,984	34,350	18,101	200,101
Ontario	1,710	2,154	3,864	135,483	26,774	104,330	18,307	284,894
Manitoba	477	424	901	29,865	537	2,860	8,666	41,928
Saskatchewan	294	143	437	15,988	141	4,211	2,378	22,718
Alberta	2,143	1,804	3,947	141,131	8,574	68,007	21,846	239,558
British Columbia	1,419	560	1,979	77,223	7,240	24,522	8,005	116,990
Yukon	17	10	27	863	—	100	—	963
Northwest Territories	1	—	1	1,873	—	6	442	2,321
Canada — Unadjusted	8,932	7,377	16,309	559,849	54,737	244,034	81,639	940,259
Canada — Adjusted	9,058	6,793	15,851	566,139	76,748	251,299	77,833	972,019
Metropolitan Areas	5,395	5,595	10,990	379,389	34,134	197,504	41,276	652,303
Calgary	681	719	1,400	46,144	1,656	35,602	2,013	85,415
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	53	17	70	2,694	309	380	1,335	4,718
Edmonton	767	654	1,421	56,218	2,418	17,411	2,787	78,834
Halifax	87	134	221	6,654	—	847	804	8,305
Hamilton	110	235	345	10,927	7,902	2,698	1,390	22,917
Hull	32	82	114	3,549	34	935	127	4,645
Kitchener	43	42	85	2,991	41	1,258	—	4,290
London	87	130	217	5,600	490	386	373	6,849
Montreal	965	887	1,852	57,989	2,332	6,099	10,078	76,498
Oshawa	131	16	147	5,941	823	531	—	7,295
Ottawa	119	723	842	23,964	383	33,149	325	57,821
Quebec	458	345	803	25,574	642	18,711	998	45,925
Regina	64	2	66	3,029	15	1,757	1,090	5,891
St. Catharines-Niagara	147	72	219	7,186	1,420	2,094	1,645	12,345
Saint John	9	2	11	630	1	2,398	810	3,839
St. John's	6	1	7	320	—	337	23	680
Saskatoon	137	114	251	8,647	40	1,821	154	10,662
Sudbury	6	—	6	283	—	181	65	529
Thunder Bay	40	4	44	2,050	904	477	35	3,466
Toronto	393	422	815	37,542	8,665	49,333	6,264	101,804
Vancouver	548	336	884	33,711	5,136	13,662	1,657	54,166
Victoria	112	64	176	7,053	201	3,950	1,261	12,465
Windsor	60	171	231	6,087	253	1,129	197	7,666
Winnipeg	340	423	763	24,606	469	2,358	7,845	35,278

*Preliminary figures.*For further information order *Building Permits*, March 1978 (64-001, 70¢/\$7).**Particle Board, April 1978 — Advance Information**

Canadian firms produced 61,964,000 square feet (5 757 000 m²) 5/8" (15.9 mm) basis of particle board in April compared to 46,070,000 square feet (4 279 000 m²) in April 1977, an increase of 34.5%.

For further information, order the April issue of *Particle Board* (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

June 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	June 2/78 This week	May 26/78 Week ago	May 5/78 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	108.4	108.7	104.6
Industrials	85	101.4	101.8	98.1
Foods	9	114.3	115.2	110.8
Alcoholic beverages	5	95.0	95.2	90.7
Textiles and clothing	3	145.1	143.7	138.2
Pulp and paper	7	140.2	140.2	136.5
Printing and publishing	5	112.5	112.6	102.8
Primary metals	4	110.3	111.0	108.0
Industrial mines	6	76.7	76.7	71.7
Metal fabricating	9	180.3	180.6	172.0
Non-metallic minerals	4	105.8	104.4	103.3
Petroleum	8	95.4	97.1	98.3
Chemicals	5	113.5	112.0	111.0
Construction	5	298.7	300.7	287.8
Trade	15	90.5	90.0	86.3
Utilities and services	28	110.4	110.2	107.6
Transportation	6	142.2	143.7	136.5
Pipelines	5	92.3	91.6	91.4
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	129.8	128.3	123.2
Telephone	4	116.9	115.9	112.5
Electric power	3	142.7	143.2	138.6
Gas distribution	5	87.2	87.1	87.2
Finances	21	140.6	140.9	132.3
Banks	8	140.8	141.4	131.8
Investment and loan	9	132.2	132.1	127.7
Insurance	4	181.1	178.9	162.5
Mining Index	17	135.0	131.7	118.6
Gold	9	287.8	283.1	255.1
Base metals	8	61.7	59.1	53.2
Uranium	2	224.1	221.9	216.7
Primary oils and gas index	5	132.5	133.2	135.2

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Selected Principal Statistics for the Pulp and Paper Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2710		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	147	147	—
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	64,329	66,946	4.1
Man-hours paid	000's	117,176	139,464	19.0
Manufacturing wages	\$000	754,892	1,033,475	36.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	398,692	546,274	37.0
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	2,191,524	2,732,640	24.7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	5,122,093	5,992,723	17.0
Value added	\$000	2,569,050	2,845,278	10.8
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	84,046	86,995	3.5
Total salaries and wages	\$000	1,091,675	1,415,843	29.7
Total value added	\$000	2,601,472	2,876,446	10.6

For further information, contact Mr. G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Pulp and Paper Mills*, 1976 (36-204, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Household Furniture

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2619		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	708	653	-7.8
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	28,133	22,633	-2.2
Man-hours paid	000's	49,475	48,886	-1.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	177,929	202,099	13.6
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	6,478	7,666	18.3
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	330,501	372,812	12.8
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	695,436	770,123	10.7
Value added	\$000	359,666	402,238	11.8
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	27,147	26,457	-2.5
Total salaries and wages	\$000	226,076	254,357	12.5
Total value added	\$000	360,378	403,375	11.9

For further information, contact Mr. G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Household Furniture*, 1976 (35-211, \$1.05).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Platemaking, Typesetting and Trade Bindery Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2870		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	401	369	-8.0
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	5,252	5,085	-3.2
Man-hours paid	000's	10,309	10,022	-2.8
Manufacturing wages	\$000	58,794	65,848	12.0
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	994	1,232	24.0
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	33,822	38,599	14.1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	149,472	163,462	9.3
Value added	\$000	115,220	123,628	7.3
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	6,683	6,488	-2.9
Total salaries and wages	\$000	80,290	88,794	10.6
Total value added	\$000	116,593	125,711	7.8

For further information, contact Mr. G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Printing, Publishing and Allied Industries*, 1976 (36-203, \$1.40).

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University Teachers' Salaries, 1977-78

The second edition of *Salaries of Full-time Teaching Staff at Canadian Universities and Colleges, 1977-78* is available free of charge upon request. For further information, contact Mr. N.D. Uppal (613-995-1105/6), Post-secondary Education Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Consumer Credit, March 1978 (61-004, 30¢/\$3)

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, May 1978 (32-012, 30¢/\$3)

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Railway Carloadings, April 1978 (52-001, 30¢/\$3)

Non-ferrous Scrap Metal, 1976 (41-229, 35¢)

Estimates of Population for the Census Metropolitan Areas of Canada as of June 1, 1971-1976 (91-207, 35¢)

Cement, April 1978 (44-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Iron Ore, April 1978 (26-005, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletin:

Road Transport (53-006, \$2.80 per year), Vol. 7, No. 2, Estimates of the Operations of Small Motor Carriers Freight and Household Goods Movers, 1975

Percentage Distribution of All Households Within Household Income Groups by Selected Household and Dwelling Characteristics and Household Facilities and Equipment*

1976

1975 Income Group	Total Households		Household Size (Number of Persons)			Tenure		Type of Dwelling		Average Number of		
	Estimated '000	%	1	2-3	4 or More	Owned %	Rented %	Single Detached %	Other %	Persons Per Household	Rooms Per Household	Persons Per Room
Under \$2,000	223	100	62.3	26.5	11.2	45.6	54.4	43.8	56.2	1.79	4.28	0.42
\$2,000 — \$3,999	589	100	66.0	27.6	6.4	46.2	53.8	43.2	56.8	1.58	4.15	0.38
\$4,000 — \$5,999	594	100	30.6	56.9	12.6	49.3	50.7	46.8	53.2	2.19	4.63	0.47
\$6,000 — \$7,999	549	100	29.0	50.7	20.4	47.6	52.4	45.5	54.5	2.45	4.64	0.53
\$8,000 — \$9,999	535	100	24.5	49.5	26.0	51.1	48.9	47.8	52.2	2.68	4.91	0.55
\$10,000 — \$11,999	599	100	16.7	49.1	34.2	54.6	45.4	51.4	48.6	3.00	5.08	0.59
\$12,000 — \$14,999	932	100	11.5	47.8	40.8	58.6	41.4	52.0	48.0	3.21	5.24	0.61
\$15,000 — \$24,999	2,143	100	3.9	46.3	49.8	72.3	27.7	63.0	37.0	3.56	5.76	0.62
\$25,000 or more	918	100	1.9	37.1	61.0	83.7	16.3	75.1	24.9	4.03	6.63	0.61
Total	7,084	100	18.4	44.8	36.8	62.0	38.0	56.0	44.0	3.04	5.32	0.57
Household Average Income \$	14,983		6,908	14,990	20,028	17,103	11,518	16,900	12,544			

* Excludes households in the Yukon and Northwest Territories, households on Indian reserves and military camps, as well as institutional and collective-type households.

Household Facilities and Equipment by Income and Other Characteristics, 1976 — Advance Information

The fourth in a series of reports relating the facilities and equipment present in Canadian households in 1976 to the income received by the household in the preceding year is planned for release later this summer. Estimates are based on a sample of approximately 21,000 households which were surveyed in the spring of 1976. Statistics are provided on household and dwelling characteristics, as well as household facilities and equipment by and within household income groups for different types of households. The accompanying table gives some highlights from the forthcoming release.

Further information will be contained in *Household Facilities and Equipment by Income and Other Characteristics, 1976* (13-567), and advance details may be obtained from Penny Barclay (613-992-4743). Public use micro-data tapes for 1976 as well as the years 1972 and 1974 are available. Enquiries about these files should be directed to Randy Hohenadel (613-992-4742), Data Dissemination Unit, Consumer Income and Expenditure Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

(see table on next page)

Percentage Distribution of All Households within Household Income Groups by Selected Household and Dwelling Characteristics and Household Facilities and Equipment

1976

1975 Income Group	Bath facilities	Freezers	Automatic electric washing machines	Other electric washing machines	Households with			Colour TV	Black and white TV	One auto-mobile	Two or more auto-mobiles
					Clothes dryers	Tele-phones	per cent				
Under \$2,000	92.1	25.2	26.0	24.9	24.8	86.9		35.8	47.9	33.8	7.5
\$2,000 — 3,999	92.7	22.9	23.0	33.7	23.6	89.2		37.2	54.3	30.9	3.0
4,000 — 5,999	94.4	29.8	31.7	33.5	32.0	93.5		41.4	53.4	46.6	5.5
6,000 — 7,999	95.7	32.0	36.5	28.8	37.1	94.3		44.7	50.0	54.0	9.4
8,000 — 9,999	96.3	37.1	45.7	24.5	44.9	95.5		54.7	42.1	65.8	10.2
10,000 — 11,999	97.7	39.4	51.4	22.6	50.0	96.8		57.2	40.0	68.1	14.5
12,000 — 14,999	98.8	43.3	55.3	21.1	55.0	97.6		60.5	37.0	69.9	18.0
15,000 — 24,999	99.3	52.2	70.5	14.2	67.9	99.1		70.2	28.0	60.8	32.4
25,000 and over	99.8	59.0	80.4	9.0	77.9	99.5		79.3	19.5	41.3	55.0
Total	97.5	43.0	55.1	20.6	53.9	96.4		59.6	36.8	55.4	23.0
Household Average Income \$	15,184	17,507	18,161	11,382	18,060	15,264		17,175	12,025	14,742	22,358

Oils and Fats — Manufacturers' Sales

April 1978 — Advance Information

	Margarine Shortening* Salad Oils			Margarine Shortening* Salad Oils		
	thousands of pounds			metric tonnes		
Retail						
(20 lbs. (9.072 kg) or less)						
1978	19,610	3,065	5,832	8 895	1 390	2 645
1977	20,618	4,025	6,654	9 352	1 826	3 018
Commercial						
(21-450 lbs. (9.525-204.117 kg))						
1978	2,009	14,223	1,884	911	6 452	854
1977	1,670	11,871	1,692	757	5 385	767
Bulk						
To packagers or bottlers						
1978	10,521	2,019	7,161	4 772	916	3 248
1977	11,145	2,516	6,254	5 055	1 141	2 837
To other than packagers or bottlers						
1978	x	15,594	x	x	7 073	x
1977	—	14,005	4,469	—	6 353	2 027

* Includes baking and frying oils and fats.

x Confidential to meet secrecy requirements of the Statistics Act.

— nil.

For further information, order the April issue of *Oils and Fats* (32-006, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, May 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimate of steel ingots production for May 1978 was 1,423,376 short tons (1 291 265 t). Pig iron production was 994,393 short tons (902 098 t).

For further information, order the May issue of *Steel Ingots and Pig Iron* (41-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V3.

Sugar Sales, May 1978 — Advance Information

For May 1978, Canadian sugar refineries reported total sales of 96 632 966 kilograms (213,039,255 lbs.) of all types of sugar. Domestic sales totalled 87 900 944 kilograms (193,788,440 lbs.) and export sales amounted to 8 732 022 kilograms (19,250,815 lbs.)

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Selected Principal Statistics for Truck Body Manufacturers

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3241		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	130	130	—
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	4,544	4,251	-6.4
Man-hours paid	000's	9,366	8,934	-4.6
Manufacturing wages	\$000	44,621	45,468	1.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,378	1,836	33.2
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	108,569	108,275	-0.3
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	197,235	194,420	-1.4
Value added	\$000	91,250	84,557	-7.3
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	5,428	5,156	-5.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	55,691	58,244	4.6
Total value added	\$000	101,919	91,895	-9.8

For further information, contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Truck Body and Trailer Manufacturers, 1976* (42-217, 70¢)

Selected Principal Statistics for Glass Products Manufacturers

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3562		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	77	69	-10.3
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,453	2,640	7.6
Man-hours paid	000's	5,098	5,571	9.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	24,452	31,838	30.2
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	2,624	3,460	31.8
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	54,564	72,706	33.2
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	129,442	157,360	21.5
Value added	\$000	71,955	85,214	18.4
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	3,061	3,221	5.2
Total salaries and wages	\$000	33,999	42,021	23.5
Total value added	\$000	74,328	87,404	17.5

For further information, contact Mr. John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Glass and Glass Products Manufacturers, 1976* (44-207, 70¢).

Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes, April 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 6,506,195 phonograph records in April, up from 5,714,437 in April 1977. Production of pre-recorded tapes (8-track cartridges and cassettes only) increased to 1,266,661 from 1,107,955.

For further information, order the April issue of *Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes in Canada* (47-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Mushroom Production, 1977 — Advance Information

Total mushroom production in 1977 reached 47.4 million pounds, up from 43.8 million pounds in 1976. The total value of the 1977 crop was an estimated \$38.1 million.

The Canadian Mushroom Growers' Survey is this month's supplement to *Fruit and Vegetable Production* (22-003, 40¢/\$3). For further information contact Miss Karen Wardley (613-994-9994), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Mixed Fertilizers

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3720		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	73	69	-5.4
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	749	812	8.4
Man-hours paid	000's	1,574	1,734	10.1
Manufacturing wages	\$000	6,729	8,224	22.2
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	964	1,038	7.6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	106,327	98,731	-7.1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	142,746	129,705	-9.1
Value added	\$000	36,432	29,947	-17.8
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	1,169	1,334	14.1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	11,955	16,638	39.1
Total value added	\$000	48,423	38,160	-21.2

For further information, contact Mr. John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Mixed Fertilizers*, 1976 (46-220, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Bakeries

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1072		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	1,599	1,478	-7.6
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	17,798	16,799	-5.6
Man-hours paid	000's	37,172	34,916	-6.0
Manufacturing wages	\$000	153,735	174,756	13.7
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	15,983	18,429	15.3
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	376,048	376,524	0.1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	828,944	836,173	0.9
Value added	\$000	437,185	442,170	1.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	27,379	26,480	-3.3
Total salaries and wages	\$000	254,908	289,879	13.7
Total value added	\$000	459,105	476,430	3.8

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Bakeries*, 1976 (32-203, 70¢).

Mineral Production, April 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian mineral production for April and for 1978 to date, with comparable 1977 figures in brackets:

- Gold, 148,100 troy ounces (135,661) — 555,947 troy ounces (561,097).
- Silver, 3,795,557 troy ounces (3,840,966) — 14,307,232 troy ounces (15,201,101).
- Primary copper, 67,809 short tons (55,412) — 273,648 short tons (284,501).
- Primary nickel, 18,874 short tons (21,772) — 73,596 short tons (89,959).
- Refined lead, 17,627 short tons (18,898) — 70,730 short tons (74,927).
- Refined zinc, 42,065 short tons (51,963) — 174,148 short tons (210,383).

For further information, order the April issues of: *Gold Production* (26-004, 15¢/\$1.50); *Silver, Lead and Zinc Production* (26-008, 15¢/\$1.50); and *Copper and Nickel Production* (26-003, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Art

Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production of Eggs and Poultry, April 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates for April show that egg production in Canada decreased 2.6% from April 1977. The average number of layers was down 3.3% to 23.3 million from 24.1 million while the number of eggs per 100 layers increased 0.7% to 1,938 from 1,924. Farm price of eggs sold for market decreased 4.2% to 63.8 cents a dozen from 66.6 cents a dozen in April 1977.

For further information, order the April issue of *Production of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact J.H. Dickson (613-994-9964), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Selected Principal Statistics for the Feed Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 1060		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	643	608	-5.4
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	5,991	5,389	-10.0
Man-hours paid	000's	12,763	11,610	-9.0
Manufacturing wages	\$000	55,730	59,014	5.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	11,981	14,586	21.7
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	1,020,942	1,037,624	1.6
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	1,256,696	1,292,509	2.8
Value added	\$000	224,283	242,880	8.3
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	9,260	8,820	-4.8
Total salaries and wages	\$000	91,298	100,215	9.8
Total value added	\$000	257,130	275,756	7.2

For further information, contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Feed Industry*, 1976 (32-214, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Miscellaneous Paper Convertors

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2740		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	217	215	-0.9
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	11,711	11,473	-2.1
Man-hours paid	000's	23,755	23,469	-1.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	107,007	119,103	11.3
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	7,416	9,207	24.1
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	388,539	435,002	11.9
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	717,334	778,044	8.4
Value added	\$000	319,979	342,620	7.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	17,059	16,772	-1.7
Total salaries and wages	\$000	178,359	194,885	9.2
Total value added	\$000	345,181	368,189	6.6

For further information, contact Mr. G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Miscellaneous Paper Convertors*, 1976 (36-206, 70¢).

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The 1978 edition of Statistics Canada's annual showpiece publication — the *Canada Handbook* — is available today.

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PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Canada Handbook, 1978 (11-203, Canada \$3.75; Other Countries \$4.50)

Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, March 1978 (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50)

International Air Charter Statistics, October-December 1977 (51-003, \$1.05/\$4.20)

Miscellaneous Food Preparations, Quarter Ended March 31, 1978 (32-018, 35¢/\$1.40)

Asphalt Roofing, April 1978 (45-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Stoves and Furnaces, April 1978 (41-005, 30¢/\$3)
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Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, April 1978 (43-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Electric Lamps, April 1978 (43-009, 15¢/\$1.50)

Domestic Water Tank Heaters, April 1978 (43-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

Radio and Television Receiving Sets (Including Record Players and Selected Components), April 1978 (43-004, 30¢/\$3)

Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, April 1978 (43-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Quarterly Shipments of Flush Type Doors (Wood) by Canadian Manufacturers, Quarter Ended March 31, 1978 (35-004, 35¢/\$1.40)

Sanitaryware, April 1978 (41-012, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletin:

Culture Statistics (87-001, \$1.40 per year), Vol. 1, No. 2, Introduction

Wholesale Price Indexes

(1935-39=100)

	Apr. 1978*	Mar. 1978*	Apr. 1977	Mar. 1977	% Change	
					Apr./78 Mar./78	Apr./78 Apr./77
General wholesale index	599.3	588.5	560.4	555.0	1.8	6.9
Vegetable products	500.9	493.1	520.2	510.8	1.6	3.7
Animal products	639.6	636.5	559.3	553.7	0.5	14.4
Textile products	493.6	489.1	475.5	473.2	0.9	3.8
Wood products	885.5	854.0	775.0	774.7	3.7	14.3
Iron products	637.3	624.1	590.5	587.7	2.1	7.9
Non-ferrous metals including gold	525.3	513.9	510.3	502.3	2.2	2.9
Non-metallic minerals	505.3	503.6	467.5	458.4	0.3	8.1
Chemical products	433.5	428.1	408.0	405.4	1.3	6.3
Summary indexes						
Iron products and non-ferrous metals excluding gold	691.8	676.8	657.5	651.1	2.2	5.2
Raw and partly manufactured goods	547.4	538.7	536.3	532.3	1.6	2.1
Fully and chiefly manufactured goods	626.9	615.1	572.2	566.6	1.9	9.6

*These indexes are preliminary.

General Wholesale Price Index (1935-39 100), April 1978 — Advance Information

The General Wholesale Index rose 1.8% to 599.3 in April from its revised March level of 588.5. The index was 6.9% higher than in April 1977 when it stood at 560.4. The major groups having the most influence on the total index in April were wood products, iron products, vegetable products and non-ferrous metals.

The wood products index rose 3.7%, reflecting a 7.4% price increase for newsprint and wrapping paper.

The iron products index showed an increase of 2.1%, due in part to a rise of 2.4% for rolling mill products.

In the vegetable products group, which registered a 1.6% increase, grains rose by 5.7% and rubber and its products by 5.8%. Fresh fruits showed a partially-offsetting decrease of 22.0%.

An increase of 4.4% for copper contributed to a rise of 2.2% in the non-ferrous metals group.

Pulpwood and Wood Residue, April 1978 — Advance Information

Roundwood production increased 9.4% to 689,143 cunits (1 951 000 m³) in April from 630,215 cunits (1 783 000 m³) in April 1977. Consumption of roundwood and wood residue increased 11.4% to 2,445,526 cunits (6 924 000 m³) from 2,194,328 cunits (6 214 000 m³) and closing inventory of these two

products decreased 10.1% to 8,868,398 cunits (25 112 000 m³) from 9,866,965 cunits (27 940 000 m³). Receipts of wood residue increased 9.0% to 1,071,178 cunits (3 033 000 m³) from 982,729 cunits (2 783 000 m³).

For further information, order the April issue of *Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics* (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C. Sturton (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, March 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian mills shipped 250,650,000 square feet (23 286 000 m²) 3/8" (9.525 mm) basis of softwood plywood in March, down from 265,297,000 square feet (24 647 000 m²) in March 1977.

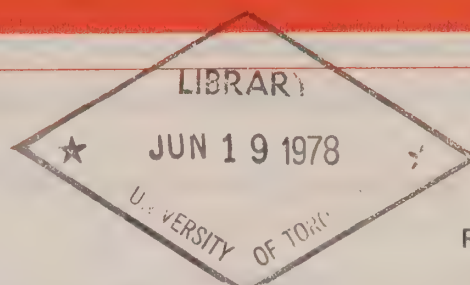
Shipments of hardwood plywood amounted to 31,396,000 square feet (2 916 000 m²) surface measure for March, a decrease of 14.3% from the same month in 1977.

For further information, order the March issue of *Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods* (35-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Capacity Utilization Rates in Canadian Manufacturing, First Quarter 1978 — Advance Information

Capacity utilization in Canadian manufacturing industries in the first quarter of 1978 declined to a level of 82.7% from 83.3% in the fourth quarter of 1977.

Durable manufacturing declined in the first quarter of 1978 to a level of 79.9% of capacity from 81.8% in the previous quarter. Wood industries and transportation equipment industries had the larger decreases, while the most notable increase occurred in the primary metal industries.

Non-durable manufacturing increased to a level of 85.5% from 84.7%. Paper and allied industries, clothing and textile industries were the major contributors to the increase.

It should be noted that the current rates incorporate new trends in capital investment. In addition, adjustments were made to the capital stock estimates to take into account capital expenditures for water and air pollution control, based on statistics from the Business Finance Division. The rates cover Canadian manufacturing by major group according to the 1970 Standard Industrial Classification, with aggregates for durable, non-durable and total manufacturing. A description of the methodology used to derive the rates is given in the publication *Capacity Utilization Rates in Canadian Manufacturing* (31-003, \$1.40/\$5.60). For further information, contact R. Hoyt (613-994-5601), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Footwear Statistics, April 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian production of footwear of all types increased to 3,526,477 pairs in April from 3,091,714 pairs in April 1977.

For further information, order the April issue of *Footwear Statistics* (33-002, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Freight Traffic, 1977 — Advance Information

Railways in Canada carried 272.2 million short tons (247.0 million t) of revenue freight in 1977, an increase of 3.6% over the volume hauled in 1976. The total included 250.7 million short tons (227.4 million t) loaded domestically (an increase of 4.2% over the preceding year) and 21.6 million short tons (19.6 million t) received from the United States (a decline of 3.3%).

On the basis of commodity groups, increased traffic was recorded for food, feed and beverages (up 6.2%), crude materials (up 3.0%), fabricated materials (up 5.6%), special traffic (up 1.9%), and non-carload freight (up 3.2%). The live animals category declined 32.9% and end products were down 7.7% from 1976.

Geographically, rail freight loadings (in terms of volume) rose 25.6% in Nova Scotia; 13.0% in Saskatchewan; 6.6% in Alberta; 5.2% in British Columbia; 2.8% in Quebec; 1.2% in Ontario; and 0.4% in The Territories. Traffic originating by rail was down 3.6% in Newfoundland, 8.1% in Prince Edward Island, 0.8% in New Brunswick, and 2.0% in Manitoba.

For further information, order the 1977 issue of *Railway Freight Traffic* (52-205, \$2.80), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Capacity Utilization Rates by Quarters

	Durable Goods	Non-durable Goods	Manufacturing Industries
1961			
I	65.4	83.7	74.6
II	67.5	84.2	75.9
III	68.7	85.9	77.4
IV	70.5	86.5	78.6
1962			
I	71.6	86.9	79.3
II	74.4	87.9	81.2
III	75.7	88.0	81.9
IV	76.5	87.0	81.8
1963			
I	76.9	87.5	82.2
II	78.1	88.6	83.4
III	78.1	88.8	83.5
IV	81.9	89.5	85.7
1964			
I	84.3	91.2	87.8
II	84.1	91.4	87.8
III	84.6	90.9	87.8
IV	86.0	91.9	89.0
1965			
I	88.8	90.9	89.9
II	90.3	90.3	90.3
III	89.8	91.4	90.6
IV	93.4	92.3	92.8
1966			
I	93.7	92.8	93.2
II	91.5	92.3	91.9
III	89.2	91.1	90.1
IV	89.7	90.7	90.2
1967			
I	87.7	89.8	88.8
II	86.3	89.3	87.8
III	86.0	89.8	87.9
IV	85.4	88.7	87.1
1968			
I	83.0	89.1	86.1
II	86.8	89.2	88.0
III	88.6	88.0	88.3
IV	90.2	90.1	90.1
1969			
I	90.8	91.1	90.9
II	90.7	90.9	90.8
III	89.0	91.5	90.3
IV	87.4	90.3	88.9
1970			
I	86.4	89.8	88.1
II	82.7	88.0	85.4
III	81.1	86.7	83.9
IV	77.4	87.8	82.6
1971			
I	81.4	87.1	84.3
II	82.7	87.4	85.1
III	83.9	89.2	86.6
IV	84.4	89.3	86.9

Capacity Utilization Rates by Quarters

(continued)

	Durable Goods	Non-durable Goods	Manufacturing Industries
1972			
I	84.8	89.5	87.2
II	85.3	90.7	88.0
III	85.4	90.4	87.9
IV	88.1	92.1	90.1
1973			
I	91.3	92.7	92.0
II	90.5	93.9	92.2
III	90.6	92.1	91.3
IV	91.6	93.3	92.4
1974			
I	92.4	94.1	93.3
II	90.7	93.1	91.9
III	89.4	91.1	90.3
IV	87.4	88.5	87.9
1975			
I	81.1	86.5	83.8
II	80.8	85.3	83.1
III	80.5	83.7	82.2
IV	81.7	83.4	82.5
1976			
I	82.6	85.7	84.1
II	83.3	87.1	85.2
III	82.1	85.7	83.9
IV	80.5	85.1	82.8
1977			
I	81.9	86.0	84.0
II	82.3	86.0	84.1
III	81.9	84.9	83.4
IV	81.8	84.7	83.3
1978			
I	79.9	85.5	82.7

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, June 1, 1978 — Advance Information

Cold storage holdings of frozen poultry products at June 1 amounted to 48.3 million pounds compared with last year's total of 74.4 million pounds.

For further information, order the June issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Financial Institutions

First Quarter 1978 — Advance Information.

	1st Quarter 1978	Change From Same Period a Year Earlier		Amount Change from 4th Quarter 1977
	\$'000	Amount \$'000	%	\$'000
Trust Companies				
Mortgages	17,521,867	2,808,216	19.1	565,567
Total Assets	24,444,146	3,534,924	16.9	1,225,292
Demand deposits	4,451,710	688,763	18.3	94,455
Term deposits	17,601,459	2,452,129	16.2	925,874
Mortgage Companies				
Mortgages	8,052,334	1,312,562	19.5	188,537
Total assets	9,757,502	1,621,253	19.9	316,561
Demand deposits	458,700	20,681	4.7	-14,845
Term deposits	5,714,559	1,048,054	22.5	224,098
Real Estate Investment Trusts				
Mortgages	919,992	149,309	19.4	39,873
Total assets	1,751,767	352,969	25.2	155,648
Financial Corporations				
Retail sales financing:				
Industrial & Commercial	2,312,376	92,522	4.2	-66,500
Consumer	2,338,594	51,315	2.3	-82,510
Wholesale Financing	2,426,004	369,663	17.8	298,647
Loans Under Small Loans Act	195,844	-27,890	-12.5	-13,816
Other Personal Loans	1,519,428	-39,422	-2.5	-17,593
Total Assets	12,088,009	799,397	7.1	171,337
Finance Leasing Corporations				
Lease contracts	771,023	99,696	14.5	5,168
Total assets	1,296,709	282,801	27.9	-67,337
Investment Funds (Cost)				
Canadian Preferred Shares	51,008	-37,254	-38.3	-1,433
Canadian common shares	955,351	-108,718	-10.2	-43,111
Foreign Preferred & Common Shares	329,469	-123,327	-28.6	-44,671
Total Assets	3,244,822	748,508	25.7	227,338
Total Portfolio:				
Cost	3,200,416	320,314	11.5	214,641
Market	3,274,055	375,828	13.0	220,116
Closed-End Funds (Cost)				
Canadian Common Shares	338,810	-6,655	-1.9	-7,650
Total Portfolio:				
Cost	495,670	-4,167	-0.8	-2,314
Market	730,026	29,426	4.2	-13,495
Property & Casualty Insurance Cos.				
Net Premiums	1,085,469	81,214	8.1	-88,455
Underwriting Gains	18,252	-36,904		177,128
Total assets	8,232,660	1,346,784	19.6	49,544

Further information will be contained in the Statistics Canada publication *Financial Institutions*, first quarter 1978 (61-006, \$1.40/\$5.60).

Railway Carloadings

10-day period ending May 31

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	2,467,195	3,134,455	5,601,650
Short tons, 1977	3,951,002	2,987,260	6,938,262
Metric tonnes, 1978	2 238 202	2 843 530	5 081 732
Metric tonnes, 1977	3 584 289	2 709 997	6 294 286
% change	-37.6	4.9	-19.3
Cars, 1978	45,244	46,671	91,915
Cars, 1977	61,348	45,120	106,468
% change	-26.3	3.4	-13.7
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	206,749	71,332	278,081
Short tons, 1977	189,971	66,079	256,050
Metric tonnes, 1978	187 560	64 711	252 271
Metric tonnes, 1977	172 339	59 946	232 285
% change	8.8	7.9	8.6
Cars, 1978	6,378	2,979	9,357
Cars, 1977	5,895	2,840	8,735
% change	8.2	4.9	7.1
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	44,831,174	46,242,951	91,074,125
Short tons, 1977	53,432,456	45,393,984	98,826,440
Metric tonnes, 1978	40 670 157	41 950 899	82 621 056
Metric tonnes, 1977	48 473 109	41 180 730	89 653 839
% change	-16.1	1.9	-7.8
Cars, 1978	775,241	693,434	1,468,675
Cars, 1977	868,767	686,262	1,555,029
% change	-10.8	1.0	-5.6
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	3,517,550	1,262,875	4,780,425
Short tons, 1977	3,354,898	1,220,726	4,575,624
Metric tonnes, 1978	3 191 068	1 145 661	4 336 729
Metric tonnes, 1977	3 043 512	1 107 424	4 150 936
% change	4.8	3.5	4.5
Cars, 1978	106,228	51,146	157,374
Cars, 1977	102,703	52,422	155,125
% change	3.4	-2.4	1.4

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1977 figures have been revised — 1978 cumulative data also revised.

**Railway Carloadings, 10 Days Ended May 31, 1978 —
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Canadian railways loaded 5.1 million t (5.6 million short tons) of revenue freight during the last 10 days of May, a decrease of 19.3% from 1977. The decline was mainly attributable to work stoppages at iron ore mines in Quebec and Labrador. Western loadings rose 4.9%.

Container-trailer (piggyback) traffic increased in both regions of the country, rising 8.8% in the East and 7.9% in the West for an over-all increase of 8.6%.

From January 1 to May 31, 1978, freight loadings totalled 82.6 million t (91.1 million short tons), a decrease of 7.8% from 1977. Container-trailer traffic showed an increase of 4.5%.

For further information, contact Mr. J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

**Steel Ingots, Week Ended June 10, 1978 — Advance
Information**

Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended June 10 was 305,101 short tons (276 783 t), a decrease of 3.5% from the preceding week's total of 316,138 short tons (286 796 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was 287,527 short tons (260 840 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 166.5 in the current week, 172.5 a week earlier and 156.9 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Pharmaceuticals and Medicines

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3740		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	136	132	-2.9
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	6,702	6,476	-3.3
Man-hours paid	000's	13,576	13,178	-2.9
Manufacturing wages	\$000	59,974	66,984	11.7
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	5,471	7,047	28.8
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	246,244	267,058	8.4
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	654,447	698,791	6.7
Value added	\$000	418,404	431,119	3.0
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	14,793	14,434	-2.4
Total salaries and wages	\$000	171,945	189,069	9.9
Total value added	\$000	457,165	475,570	4.0

For further information, contact Mr. John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Pharmaceuticals and Medicines*, 1976 (46-209, 70¢).

Index of Industrial Production

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1978				% Change
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	
Index of Industrial Production	29.497	124.5	126.7	126.5	126.2	-0.2
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	105.7	109.3	108.0	100.2	-7.2
Metal mines	1.584	101.6	103.6	102.8	86.8	-15.6
Mineral fuels	1.492	107.0	114.3	112.0	109.4	-2.3
Non-metal mines (except coal mines)	.363	122.0	120.2	117.2	115.9	-1.1
Manufacturing industries	22.862	123.1	125.5	125.8	127.3	1.2
Food and beverage industries	3.254	117.6	119.6	118.5	117.9	-0.5
Tobacco products industries	.212	118.2	122.3	122.6	120.3	-1.9
Rubber and plastics products industries	.650	164.1	168.7	165.1	182.1	10.3
Leather industries	.206	86.2	91.4	94.0	98.5	4.8
Textile industries	.756	110.6	112.2	113.0	112.5	-0.4
Knitting mills	.205	87.9	88.8	87.4	88.0	0.7
Clothing industries	.742	110.1	112.7	110.7	110.3	-0.4
Wood industries	.968	141.2	139.1	136.4	137.2	0.6
Furniture and fixture industries	.420	103.5	105.0	104.5	105.1	0.6
Paper and allied industries	1.878	120.2	124.4	123.6	125.2	1.3
Printing, publishing and allied industries	1.123	114.8	116.6	115.8	117.2	1.2
Primary metal industries	1.976	115.1	120.6	123.6	123.3	-0.2
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries)	1.887	127.3	129.2	130.0	130.6	0.5
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery)	1.008	134.8	136.5	136.9	137.1	0.1
Transportation equipment industries	2.571	132.2	134.5	139.0	140.5	1.1
Electrical products industries	1.631	105.8	106.4	106.2	112.3	5.7
Non-metallic mineral products industries	.905	127.6	129.3	128.5	133.4	3.8
Petroleum and coal products industries	.394	132.6	136.3	130.5	127.8	-2.1
Chemical and chemical products industries	1.363	150.9	153.5	154.9	156.6	1.1
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	.713	105.6	106.2	106.9	106.3	-0.6
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	161.4	160.5	157.5	153.2	-2.7
Special industry groupings:						
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	122.1	124.7	123.9	125.2	1.0
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	124.2	126.2	127.6	129.4	1.4

Index of Industrial Production, April 1978 — Advance Information

The seasonally-adjusted index of industrial production (1971=100) decreased 0.2% to 126.2 in April from 126.5 in March. Mining and utilities declined, while manufacturing increased during the month.

For further information, order the April issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry*

(including the Index of Industrial Production), (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Industrial Chemicals (Inorganic)

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3782		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	91	89	-2.2
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	6,073	6,239	2.7
Man-hours paid	000's	12,543	13,319	6.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	80,858	101,690	25.7
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	91,065	150,482	65.2
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	353,759	366,034	3.4
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	822,774	908,328	10.4
Value added	\$000	415,202	399,950	-3.6
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	9,904	9,502	-4.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	138,008	157,840	14.3
Total value added	\$000	439,256	411,680	-6.3

For further information, contact Mr. John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Industrial Chemicals*, 1976 (46-219, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Plastics and Synthetic Resins

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3730		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	47	49	4.2
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,807	2,886	2.8
Man-hours paid	000's	5,995	6,276	4.7
Manufacturing wages	\$000	35,356	42,101	19.0
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	14,531	18,116	24.6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	271,992	344,790	26.7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	456,000	529,090	16.0
Value added	\$000	172,387	190,859	10.7
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	4,683	4,755	1.5
Total salaries and wages	\$000	64,528	76,209	18.1
Total value added	\$000	184,304	194,384	5.4

For further information, contact Mr. John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Plastics and Synthetic Resins*, 1976 (46-211, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Publishing and Printing Industries

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2890		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	615	574	-6.7
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	16,837	17,190	2.1
Man-hours paid	000's	33,436	34,006	1.7
Manufacturing wages	\$000	196,910	218,812	11.1
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	6,416	7,724	20.4
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	255,130	299,051	17.2
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	1,002,057	1,147,866	14.5
Value added	\$000	740,909	842,081	13.6
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	33,562	34,275	2.1
Total salaries and wages	\$000	391,016	447,595	14.4
Total value added	\$000	740,932	839,120	13.2

For further information, contact G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Publishing, Printing and Allied Industries*, 1976 (36-203, \$1 40).

Selected Principal Statistics for Clay Products Manufacturers (From Imported Clays)

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3512		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	30	30	—
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	1,680	1,614	-3.9
Man-hours paid	000's	3,575	3,365	-5.8
Manufacturing wages	\$000	16,016	16,128	0.7
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,755	2,344	33.5
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	18,198	17,872	-1.7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	59,080	59,008	—
Value added	\$000	41,366	38,597	-6.6
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	2,086	2,007	-3.7
Total salaries and wages	\$000	20,657	21,134	2.3
Total value added	\$000	41,696	39,079	-6.2

For further information, contact Mr. John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Clay Products Manufacturers (From Imported Clays)*, 1976 (44-216, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Stone Products Manufacturers

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3530		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	82	89	8.5
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	795	807	1.5
Man-hours paid	000's	1,652	1,673	1.2
Manufacturing wages	\$000	6,503	7,394	13.7
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	581	734	26.3
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	9,566	11,156	16.6
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	23,768	27,848	17.1
Value added	\$000	13,807	16,373	18.5
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	946	988	4.4
Total salaries and wages	\$000	8,385	9,950	18.6
Total value added	\$000	13,981	16,282	16.4

For further information, contact Mr. John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Stone Products Manufacturers*, 1976 (44-213, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Structural Concrete Products

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3542		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	33	42	27.2
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,137	2,210	3.4
Man-hours paid	000's	4,499	4,650	3.3
Manufacturing wages	\$000	25,354	29,270	15.4
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	1,644	2,158	31.2
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	47,644	44,690	-6.2
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	126,741	114,981	-9.2
Value added	\$000	77,223	72,481	-6.1
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	2,903	2,819	-2.8
Total salaries and wages	\$000	35,017	38,952	10.2
Total value added	\$000	77,160	72,547	-5.9

For further information, contact Mr. John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Concrete Products Manufacturers*, 1976 (44-205, 70¢).

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Total retail trade sales for April reached \$5,575.5 million, an increase of 9.1% from \$5,106.9 million in April 1977. Sales increased in 23 of the 28 trade groups. The most significant advances were posted by the food group with sales of \$1,415.6 million, up 9.5%; motor vehicle dealers with sales of \$1,249.8 million, up 12.8%; pharmacies, patent medicine and cosmetic stores with sales of \$161.0 million, up 11.2% and the "all other stores" group with sales of \$618.0 million, up 12.1%. The most notable sales declines were recorded for general merchandise stores, down 0.5% to \$127.2 million; variety stores, down 8.6% to \$65.7 million; and sporting goods and accessories stores, down 2.5% to \$62.2 million.

All provinces showed sales increases from April 1977, ranging from 6.1% for Manitoba to 16.3% for Prince Edward Island. Montreal sales rose 6.2%; Winnipeg 4.8%; Toronto 9.1% and Vancouver 14.0%.

Revised total retail sales for March were \$5,300.1 million, up 12.3% from \$4,719.2 million in March 1977.

Seasonally-adjusted retail sales for April amounted to \$5,664.9 million, 2.3% higher than the \$5,537.6 million level of March. Sales rose in 18 of the 28 trade groups with the most notable gains for the food group, motor vehicle dealers, the furniture group, personal accessories and the "all other stores" group. Decreases from the previous month were shown by department stores and other stores in the general merchandise group, florists, jewellery stores and sporting goods stores. Sales advanced in all provinces except Saskatchewan; the Yukon and the Northwest Territories also showed decreases.

For further information, order the April issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

University and College Libraries, 1976-77 (Preliminary Statement) — Advance Information

Total operating expenditures for 110 reporting university libraries were \$142,568,366 in 1976-77, up 26.6% from \$112,637,201 for 115 reporting university libraries in 1974-75. Total full-time university library staff decreased to 6,688 in 1976-77 from 7,060 in 1974-75. Reporting libraries in 1976-77 had 37,490,416 volumes of books compared with 33,191,484 volumes in 1974-75. Ontario university libraries had the highest percentage of volumes (43.1%) while British Columbia had the lowest 9.2%). University libraries in the Atlantic Provinces had the highest availability of books per full-time student.

Total operating expenditures for 145 reporting college libraries in 1976-77 at \$25,857,969 were up

50.2% from \$17,210,577 for 120 reporting college libraries in 1974-75. College library staff increased to 1,391 from 1,213 over the period. Volumes of books increased 40.4% to 6,110,316 in 1976-77 from 4,350,930 in 1974-75.

Further details will be contained in the forthcoming publication *University and College Libraries in Canada, 1976-77* (87-652). For further information, contact Mr. N. Verma (613-593-6771), Cultural Institutions Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Wholesale Trade, April 1978 — Advance Information

Sales by wholesale merchants for April were estimated at \$4,942,241,000, an increase of 13.2% from \$4,367,860,000 in April 1977.

Wholesale inventories were valued at \$8,241,655,000, up 8.1% from stocks of \$7,621,998,000 on hand at the end of April last year.

For further information, order the April issue of *Wholesale Trade* (63-008, 15¢/\$1.50).

Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, 1977 — Advance Information

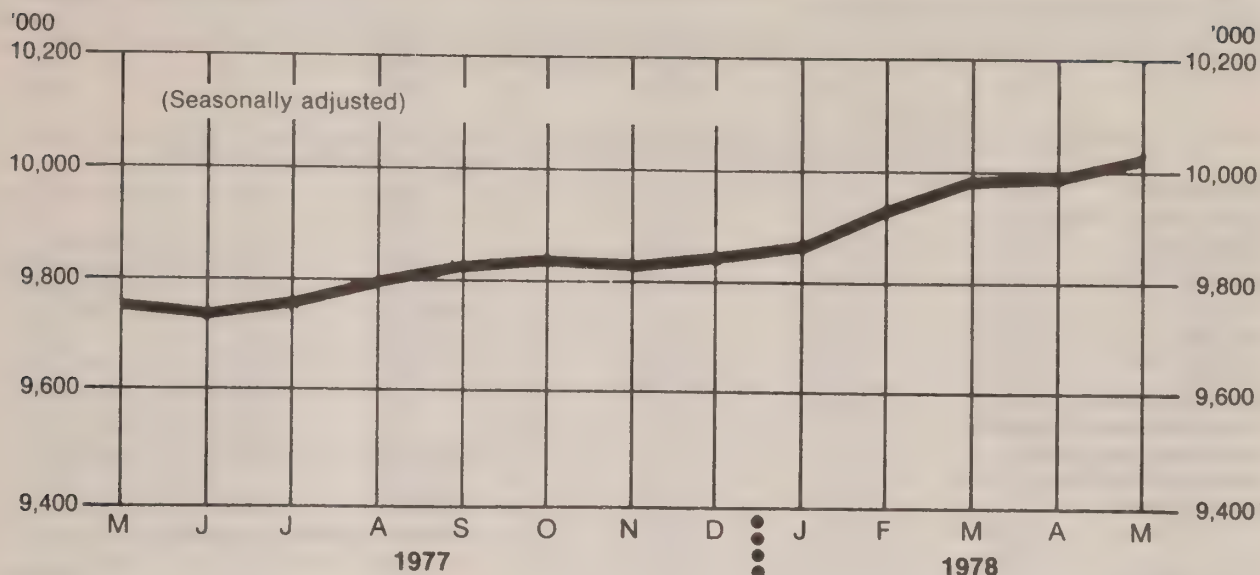
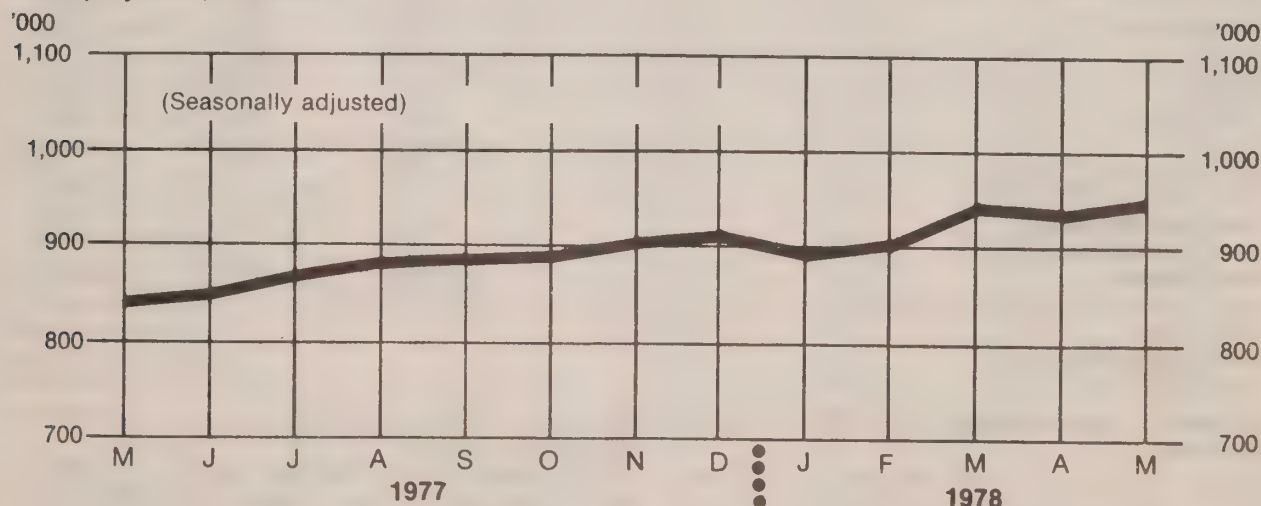
Sales of farm implements and equipment (including repair parts) for 1977 were valued at \$1,286,290,000, down 0.2% from the 1976 figure of \$1,288,797,000. New machines sold decreased 0.8% to \$1,124,556,000 in 1977 from \$1,134,086,000 in 1976, while repair parts for 1977 at \$161,734,000 were up 4.5% from 1976 sales of \$154,711,000.

Further information will be contained in *Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, 1977* (63-203, 75¢), and advance details may be obtained from the Merchandising and Services Division (613-996-9307), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber, April 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian production of rubber increased to 48,735,000 pounds (22 107 000 kg) in April from 41,145,000 pounds (18 662 000 kg) in April 1977. Consumption of rubber increased to 58,170,000 pounds (26 390 000 kg) from a revised 57,219,000 pounds (25 958 000 kg) in April 1977.

For further information, order the April issue of *Production, Consumption and Inventories of Rubber* (33-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Employment, Canada**Unemployment, Canada****The Labour Force, May 1978**

Canada's seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate remained at 8.6% in May, unchanged from the April level. The rate in May 1977 was 7.9%.

Last month the adjusted employment level reached 10,023,000, up 27,000 from April. Unemployment increased by 14,000 to a total of 949,000 persons.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, employment increased by 17,000 in May for persons aged 15 to 24 years and by 10,000 for those 25 and over. The unemployment level declined by 3,000 for men but increased by 12,000 for women 15 to 24 and by 5,000 for women 25 years of age and over.

Seasonally-adjusted May unemployment rates for the provinces, with April rates in Brackets: Newfoundland 17.9% (16.3%); Prince Edward Island 10.1% (11.1%); Nova Scotia 10.8% (11.0%); New Brunswick 12.9% (14.0%); Quebec 11.5% (11.2%); Ontario 7.5%

(7.4%); Manitoba, 6.7% (6.8%); Saskatchewan 5.3% (5.6%); Alberta 4.4% (4.8%); and British Columbia 8.0% (7.7%).

Without seasonal adjustment, the May labour force was 11,051,000 with 10,118,000 employed and 933,000 unemployed for an unemployment rate of 8.4%. In April, the labour force was 10,750,000 with 9,752,000 employed and 999,000 unemployed for a rate of 9.3%. In May 1977, the labour force numbered 10,645,000 with 9,822,000 employed and 824,000 unemployed for a rate of 7.7%.

For further information, order the May issue of *The Labour Force* (71-001, 55¢/\$5.50).

Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

	Mar. 1978f (\$ millions)	Feb. 1978p	Jan. 1978r
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Newfoundland	131.8	134.2	134.4
Prince Edward Island	25.2	24.7	24.5
Nova Scotia	240.7	242.2	240.4
New Brunswick	191.0	189.2	186.8
Quebec	2,371.7	2,355.6	2,340.2
Ontario	3,948.1	3,900.7	3,835.0
Manitoba	373.4	366.9	364.4
Saskatchewan	278.2	272.4	270.8
Alberta	830.7	820.6	817.7
British Columbia	1,156.2	1,124.7	1,116.4
Yukon, Northwest Territories	34.8	32.0	30.9
Total Wages and Salaries	9,581.7	9,463.2	9,361.6
Supplementary Labour Income	784.5	775.0	766.8
Labour Income	10,366.2	10,238.3	10,128.4
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Newfoundland	138.4	142.4	141.9
Prince Edward Island	27.8	27.3	26.7
Nova Scotia	249.5	251.9	249.4
New Brunswick	199.9	200.3	194.9
Quebec	2,408.8	2,396.8	2,374.9
Ontario	4,031.6	3,999.7	3,924.7
Manitoba	383.2	380.0	375.6
Saskatchewan	288.7	284.9	283.5
Alberta	852.1	842.1	841.4
British Columbia	1,159.5	1,153.2	1,152.6
Yukon, Northwest Territories	35.7	33.2	32.4
Total Wages and Salaries	9,775.1	9,711.7	9,598.0
Supplementary Labour Income	800.3	795.2	785.9
Labour Income	10,575.4	10,507.0	10,383.9

f First estimate

p Preliminary estimate

r Revised estimate

Estimates of Labour Income, March 1978 — Advance Information

Labour income for the month of March was estimated at \$10.4 billion, an increase of \$811 million or almost 8.5% from March 1977.

Adjusted for seasonal variation, wages and salaries showed a marginal increase to \$9.8 billion in March from \$9.7 billion in February.

Data users should note that labour income has been revised for the years 1976 and 1977 (the revision is carried out annually to adjust the current survey-based estimates to agree with Revenue Canada T-4 taxation figures). The revised annual levels of wages and salaries and supplementary labour income are: 1976 — wages and salaries \$100,340 million; supplementary labour income \$7,908 million; 1977 — wages and

salaries \$111,326 million; supplementary labour income \$8,774 million.

Commencing this month, data releases in the Daily will provide more detailed industrial information and also labour income estimates by province. The revised estimates noted above will be published in the January-March issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-005, \$1.05/\$4.20), or may be obtained upon request from Mrs. G. Gauthier (613-995-8067), Labour Income Section, Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

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Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

	Mar. 1978f	Feb. 1978p (\$ millions)	Jan. 1978r	Mar. 1977
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Primary Industries	70.8	58.6	57.3	62.0
Forestry	91.9	98.0	94.4	79.2
Mines, Quarries and Oil Wells	248.8	254.9	253.1	237.0
Manufacturing Industries	2,184.0	2,153.2	2,099.3	2,003.9
Construction Industry	640.2	634.2	618.2	661.1
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	993.6	993.3	988.4	945.4
Trade	1,263.3	1,245.3	1,243.6	1,169.5
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	641.1	630.7	629.3	578.7
Commercial and Personal Service	804.9	789.2	778.2	733.1
Education and Related Services	1,051.2	1,038.2	1,034.0	941.0
Health and Welfare Services	601.7	601.6	598.9	546.9
Federal Administration and Other Government Offices	382.9	372.1	366.2	357.7
Provincial Administration	291.5	282.4	287.1	253.0
Local Administration	222.6	220.1	222.7	202.5
Total Wages and Salaries	9,581.7	9,463.2	9,361.6	8,853.9
Supplementary Labour Income	784.5	775.0	766.8	701.1
Labour Income	10,366.2	10,238.3	10,128.4	9,555.0
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Primary Industries	97.3	96.1	93.5	86.5
Forestry	109.9	107.8	104.5	95.1
Mines, Quarries and Oil Wells	247.7	256.9	253.9	236.1
Manufacturing Industries	2,214.5	2,201.9	2,149.2	2,033.3
Construction Industry	735.2	746.6	737.3	761.3
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	1,020.3	1,017.9	1,010.6	970.2
Trade	1,289.4	1,279.7	1,266.3	1,194.5
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	631.0	632.8	634.7	569.3
Commercial and Personal Service	826.1	817.0	804.0	752.8
Education and Related Services	986.2	965.9	964.6	881.4
Health and Welfare Services	611.8	605.1	596.6	555.8
Federal Administration and Other Government Offices	382.5	376.9	374.4	357.7
Provincial Administration	300.4	289.0	293.1	261.0
Local Administration	229.7	226.7	224.7	208.8
Total Wages and Salaries	9,775.1	9,711.7	9,598.0	9,046.7
Supplementary Labour Income	800.3	795.2	785.9	713.7
Labour Income	10,575.4	10,507.0	10,383.9	9,760.4

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r Revised Estimate

Summary of Net Shipments* of Rolled Steel Products

April 1978 — Advance Information.

	Domestic		Export		Total	
	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes	tons of 2,000 lbs.	metric tonnes
Ingots and semi-finished shapes	33,577	30 458	7,914	7 179	41,491	37 637
Rails	8,914	8 087	15,170	13 762	24,084	21 849
Wire rods	71,693	65 039	30,482	27 653	102,175	92 692
Structural shapes:						
Heavy	58,746	53 292	17,189	15 593	75,935	68 885
Bar-sized shapes	19,591	17 771	1,252	1 136	20,843	18 907
Concrete reinforcing bars	56,075	50 871	—	—	56,075	50 871
Other hot rolled bars	88,152	79 974	12,207	11 074	100,359	91 048
Tie plates and track material	9,606	8 715	112	102	9,718	8 817
Plates (including plates for pipes and tubes)	112,326	101 898	21,558	19 557	133,884	121 455
Hot rolled sheets and strip	203,412	184 533	18,010	16 338	221,422	200 871
Cold finished bars	8,756	7 943	50	46	8,806	7 989
Cold reduced sheets and strip, cold rolled						
other, coated	155,830	141 365	16,969	15 394	172,799	156 759
Galvanized sheets	82,056	74 440	13,761	12 484	95,817	86 924
Total	908,734	824 386	154,674	140 318	1,063,408	964 704

* Producers' shipments excluding producers' interchange.

For further information, order the April issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Quarterly Estimates of Population for Canada and the Provinces, July 1, 1976 — April 1, 1978*

Date	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Yukon	N.W.T.
in thousands													
1976													
July 1	23,025.4	558.5	118.4	829.4	678.2	6,240.0	8,278.1	1,022.1	922.5	1,843.7	2,469.8	22.0	42.7
October 1	23,111.3	560.0	119.1	832.7	681.2	6,255.4	8,306.1	1,024.4	927.5	1,862.3	2,477.6	21.9	43.1
1977													
January 1	23,179.6	560.7	119.8	833.9	683.5	6,265.6	8,329.7	1,027.1	931.4	1,878.0	2,485.2	21.7	43.0
April 1	23,242.9	561.5	120.1	834.5	685.2	6,276.1	8,354.7	1,029.5	934.5	1,890.2	2,492.1	21.4	43.1
July 1	23,315.6	563.2	120.6	835.7	687.1	6,285.1	8,383.9	1,032.1	937.9	1,904.2	2,500.7	21.6	43.5
October 1	23,388.1	564.1	121.3	838.0	689.8	6,283.5	8,417.0	1,032.4	941.2	1,923.0	2,512.1	21.8	43.9
1978													
January 1	23,444.2	564.8	121.9	839.6	691.9	6,280.9	8,441.1	1,034.7	944.0	1,936.2	2,523.4	22.0	43.7
April 1	23,497.7	565.2	122.2	840.7	693.2	6,290.0	8,460.9	1,036.0	945.6	1,948.0	2,530.1	22.1	43.7

* Preliminary figures.

Quarterly Estimates of Population, Canada and Provinces, July 1976 to April 1978 — Advance Information

The quarterly estimates contained in the accompanying table will be published shortly in catalogue 91-001. This bulletin will give details about methodology and data sources, as well as certain comments on the results.

For further information, contact Miss G. Caron (613-994-9317), Population Estimates and Projections Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

June 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	June 9/78 This week	June 2/78 Week ago	May 12/78 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	109.8	108.4	105.2
Industrials	85	102.5	101.4	98.8
Foods	9	115.0	114.3	111.5
Alcoholic beverages	5	96.1	95.0	92.4
Textiles and clothing	3	152.8	145.1	144.0
Pulp and paper	7	141.7	140.2	137.5
Printing and publishing	5	115.7	112.5	104.3
Primary metals	4	114.1	110.3	109.2
Industrial mines	6	76.4	76.7	71.6
Metal fabricating	9	182.1	180.3	172.9
Non-metallic minerals	4	111.3	105.8	105.0
Petroleum	8	95.9	95.4	98.4
Chemicals	5	115.8	113.5	111.4
Construction	5	306.0	298.7	292.2
Trade	15	92.0	90.5	87.5
Utilities and services	28	111.8	110.4	107.8
Transportation	6	144.5	142.2	137.6
Pipelines	5	92.9	92.3	91.1
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	131.7	129.8	124.6
Telephone	4	118.1	116.9	112.6
Electric power	3	143.8	142.7	140.5
Gas distribution	5	89.3	87.2	87.2
Finances	21	143.2	140.6	133.1
Banks	8	144.2	140.8	132.1
Investment and loan	9	133.3	132.2	128.4
Insurance	4	179.9	181.1	169.6
Mining Index	17	132.4	135.0	124.3
Gold	9	281.7	287.8	267.6
Base metals	8	60.8	61.7	55.6
Uraniums	2	234.9	224.1	214.7
Primary oils and gas index	5	132.8	132.5	137.3

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Manufacturers of Soap and Cleaning Compounds

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3760		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	91	89	-2.2
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,980	3,396	13.9
Man-hours paid	000's	6,241	7,121	14.1
Manufacturing wages	\$000	34,006	44,506	30.8
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	4,248	4,879	14.8
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	232,535	253,045	8.8
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	413,580	438,121	5.9
Value added	\$000	183,951	186,724	1.5
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	6,216	6,217	—
Total salaries and wages	\$000	81,311	89,854	10.5
Total value added	\$000	209,985	211,553	0.7

For further information, contact Mr. John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Soap and Cleaning Compounds*, 1976 (46-214, 70¢).

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Charlottetown, Fredericton, Moncton, Saint John and Sydney by calling the operator and asking for ZENITH 22066. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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Selected Principal Statistics for Clay Products Manufacturers (From Domestic Clays)

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3511		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	60	59	—
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	2,438	2,317	-4.9
Man-hours paid	000's	5,145	4,918	-4.4
Manufacturing wages	\$000	23,688	26,355	11.2
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	9,658	11,878	22.9
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	17,779	20,556	15.6
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	84,760	98,253	15.9
Value added	\$000	59,515	65,395	9.8
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	2,945	2,784	-5.4
Total salaries and wages	\$000	30,688	33,955	10.6
Total value added	\$000	59,729	65,880	10.3

For further information, contact Mr. John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Clay Products Manufacturers (From Domestic Clays)*, 1976 (44-215, 70¢).

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Cheques Cashed, April 1978 (61-001, 30¢/\$3)

Out Of School — Into The Labour Force (Trends and prospects for enrolment, school leavers, and the labour force in Canada: the 1960s through the 1980s) More than half a million students will leave Canada's educational institutions during 1978 and become available to the labour force. The projected total — 605,300 — is down from last year's estimated 615,300. By 1986 the number of school leavers is projected to drop to 508,000.

Despite the downturn, the number of students seeking work will remain high in the near future. This, combined with larger numbers of working women, will result in continuing rapid growth of the Canadian labour force, which over the past decade has had the highest growth rate of major western industrialized countries.

A rough exploratory calculation suggests that continuing expansion of the work force could require 250,000 to 285,000 jobs a year to keep unemployment to 8% until 1980. After that — with smaller numbers entering the labour force — unemployment could be reduced to 6% by 1981 with the creation of 230,000 to 270,000 jobs a year. To reduce the rate to 6.5% by 1980 would perhaps require 335,000 to 370,000 jobs a year. The Canadian economy has generated an average 260,000 jobs annually since 1970, ranging from an average 360,000 a year during the strong expansionary period of 1972-74 to 190,000 a year since 1975.

Recent school leavers have more education than their predecessors. In 1966, 19% had at least some post-secondary education, compared with 37% in 1976 and a projected 42% by 1986. This rise, combined with the retirement of older workers who generally have less education, has rapidly raised the educational attainment of the labour force. The percentage of all workers with completed or partially completed post-secondary education grew from 13% in 1961 to roughly 30% in 1977, and is expected to reach 36% to 40% by 1986.

Unemployment among 15-24 year-olds is high (14.5% in 1977 compared with 5.8% for those 25 and over). However, average 1974-77 spring unemployment rates show that better educated job-seekers are more likely to find work. About 23% of 15-24 year-olds with elementary education were unemployed, compared with 13.5% of those with secondary school, and 5.4% of degree-holders.

But not all post-secondary graduates fared equally well in the job hunt, and many may be underemployed. Ontario surveys show that 1974 and 1975 graduates in disciplines such as business and engineering had lower unemployment rates and higher starting salaries than graduates in the humanities and behavioural and social sciences. The rapidly increasing number of post-secondary graduates in the 1970s has coincided

with a decreasing need for elementary-secondary school teachers and a recent slowdown in job creation in the government and other sectors. As a result, job prospects for many graduates have worsened, and are not apt to improve before the mid-1980s.

Recent enrolment trends in colleges and universities indicate a swing towards career-related programs such as business, commerce, engineering, health and the technologies, and away from general arts and science.

Over-all, little change in total post-secondary enrolment (613,000 in 1977) is expected until the early 1980s, after which the declining number of 18-24 year-olds may cause a drop. University enrolment has already fallen in some provinces (notably Ontario) in 1977. Elementary enrolment, which reached a peak of 3.8 million in 1968, was down to 3.4 million in 1976, and is projected to bottom out at 3.0 million in the early 1980s. Secondary enrolment reached its summit, 1.7 million, in 1976, and is expected to fall 23% to 1.32 million by 1986.

Copies of the Summary version of *Out of School — Into the Labour Force* may be obtained from the Projections Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. Further information may be obtained from Dr. Z. Zsigmond or Mr. G. Picot (613-995-9685).

Coal and Coke Statistics, January 1978 — Advance Information

January coal production increased 3.6% to 2,745,602 tons (2 490 768 metric tonnes) from 2,650,401 tons (2 404 403 metric tonnes) in January 1977. Imports decreased to 99,163 tons (89 959 metric tonnes) from 241,701 tons (219 267 metric tonnes). Industrial consumers used 3,100,298 tons (2 812 543 metric tonnes) of coal, down 82,983 tons (75 281 metric tonnes) and 485,620 tons (440 547 metric tonnes) of coke, down 5,988 tons (5 514 metric tonnes).

For further information, order the January issue of *Coal and Coke Statistics* (45-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Energy and Minerals Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Consumer Price Index for Canada and Main Components

(1971=100)

(Not seasonally adjusted)

	Indexes			% Change		% Contribution to total change	
	1978		1977	May 1978 from			
	May	Apr.	May	Apr. 1978	May 1977	April. 1978	May 1977
All items	173.6	171.2	159.2	1.4	9.0	100	100
Food	207.1	200.4	177.2	3.3	16.9	70	50
All items excluding food	162.2	161.2	152.8	0.6	6.2	30	50
Housing	172.1	171.3	160.0	0.5	7.6	13	28
Clothing	143.5	143.2	140.0	0.2	2.5	1	3
Transportation	160.3	159.8	153.0	0.3	4.8	3	8
Health and personal care	164.7	163.3	154.8	0.9	6.4	3	3
Recreation, education and reading	146.3	145.8	141.6	0.3	3.3	2	2
Tobacco and alcohol	157.0	154.0	143.0	1.9	9.8	8	6
Special aggregates(1)							
Energy(2)	205.7	205.7	188.9	0.0	8.9	0	8
All items excluding energy	171.3	168.7	157.0	1.5	9.1	100	92
All items excluding energy and food	158.1	157.0	149.4	0.7	5.8	30	42
Purchasing power of the 1971 consumer dollar	0.58	0.58	0.63				
All items Consumer Price Index converted to 1961=100	231.6						

(1) Special aggregates are being published in response to user demands.

(2) Includes gasoline, motor oil, domestic gas, fuel oil and electricity.

The Consumer Price Index, May 1978 (62-001, 30¢/\$3)

The all-items Consumer Price Index for Canada (1971=100) advanced 1.4% to 173.6 in May from 171.2 in April. As a result, the 12-month rise between May 1977 and May 1978 stood at 9.0%. Higher food prices (up 3.3% in the latest month) accounted for about seven-tenths of this rise, while increased housing charges and higher prices for tobacco and alcohol together accounted for an additional one-fifth. These latter two components were largely responsible for the 0.6% increase in the index for all items excluding food.

Higher prices for beef cuts and fresh vegetables — especially for tomatoes and lettuce — were largely responsible for the 3.9% rise in the Food-at-Home Index. This was the largest monthly increase in this component since June 1975. Increased prices for powdered skim milk, butter, fresh fruit and chicken also contributed to the rise.

Higher homeownership costs along with increased prices for tobacco and alcohol were large contributing factors in the 0.6% rise in the index for all items excluding food. Other notable factors included higher prices for some new automobiles, recreational equipment, tableware and housewares. Between May 1977 and May 1978, the index for all items excluding food advanced by 6.2%.

Viewed in terms of goods and services, the price level of goods, including food, increased 1.9% in the latest month while that for services was up 0.4%. As a result, between May 1977 and May 1978, the price level of goods increased by 10.2% while that for services rose by 7.1%.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, the all-items CPI advanced 1.2% between April and May; this comprised a 2.6% increase in the food index and a 0.6% rise in the index for all items excluding food.

In May, the current annual rate of change in the CPI*, based on the seasonally-adjusted movement in the latest three-month period, was 11.3%.

* See Table 2 and technical notes of this release.

(see table on next page)

Month-to-Month Percentage Changes in the Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted Consumer Price Index for Canada*

	All items		Food		All items excluding food	
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted**
1975						
January	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.5
February	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.7
March	0.5	0.5	-0.4	-0.1	0.9	0.8
April	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6
May	0.8	0.7	1.1	0.6	0.7	0.7
June	1.5	1.2	3.2	2.9	0.8	0.7
July	1.4	1.2	2.3	1.4	1.0	1.1
August	1.0	0.8	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8
September	0.2	0.6	-0.7	0.1	0.7	0.8
October	0.9	1.1	0.4	1.1	1.1	1.1
November	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.8	1.0	0.8
December	0.1	0.3	-0.7	-0.4	0.5	0.7
1976						
January	0.6	0.6	-0.2	-0.1	0.8	0.7
February	0.3	0.2	-0.3	-0.7	0.7	0.7
March	0.4	0.4	-0.7	-0.4	0.8	0.7
April	0.4	0.5	-0.4	-0.2	0.7	0.7
May	0.8	0.7	1.5	0.9	0.6	0.7
June	0.5	0.2	0.2	-0.4	0.5	0.5
July	0.4	0.3	0.3	-0.5	0.6	0.6
August	0.5	0.3	-0.5	-0.5	0.8	0.6
September	0.5	0.8	-0.7	0.0	1.0	1.1
October	0.7	0.9	0.0	0.7	0.8	1.0
November	0.3	0.3	-0.2	0.0	0.5	0.5
December	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.3	0.3
1977						
January	0.9	0.8	1.2	1.4	0.7	0.7
February	0.9	0.8	2.0	1.5	0.5	0.4
March	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.2	1.0	1.1
April	0.6	0.7	1.0	1.2	0.5	0.5
May	0.8	0.6	1.4	0.7	0.5	0.5
June	0.7	0.5	1.1	0.6	0.6	0.6
July	0.9	0.7	2.1	1.2	0.4	0.5
August	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.2
September	0.6	0.9	0.2	1.0	0.7	1.0
October	1.0	1.1	1.4	2.0	0.8	0.8
November	0.7	0.7	0.8	1.1	0.6	0.4
December	0.7	0.9	1.6	2.0	0.3	0.5
1978						
January	0.4	0.3	0.8	0.9	0.2	0.1
February	0.7	0.5	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.6
March	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.6	1.1	1.0
April	0.2	0.4	1.7	2.0	-0.4	-0.2
May	1.4	1.2	3.3	2.6	0.6	0.6

* For some elaboration of methodology, see Appendix I(A) of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes (Catalogue 62-010).

** Seasonally adjusted data are revised annually using updated seasonal adjustment factors. For more information, refer to Appendix II, Consumer Prices and Price Indexes (Catalogue 62-010).

Selected Principal Statistics for Iron and Steel Mills

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2910		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	46	46	0
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	42,169	40,573	-3.8
Man-hours paid	000's	86,419	84,213	-2.6
Manufacturing wages	\$000	554,499	611,758	10.3
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	139,982	174,469	24.6
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	1,797,394	1,888,374	5.1
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	3,147,693	3,460,059	9.9
Value added	\$000	1,348,021	1,468,650	8.9
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	54,003	51,978	-3.8
Total salaries and wages	\$000	761,004	832,503	9.4
Total value added	\$000	1,364,022	1,489,808	9.2

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Iron and Steel Mills, 1976* (41-203, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for Manufacturers of Electrical Industrial Equipment

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 3360		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	193	200	3.6
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	17,594	19,165	8.9
Man-hours paid	000's	36,558	39,626	8.4
Manufacturing wages	\$000	174,819	211,396	20.9
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	7,820	9,810	25.4
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	402,480	449,418	11.7
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	911,539	1,019,130	11.8
Value added	\$000	501,348	572,538	14.2
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	29,293	31,427	7.3
Total salaries and wages	\$000	334,499	400,607	19.8
Total value added	\$000	580,675	659,092	13.5

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Manufacturers of Electrical Industrial Equipment, 1976* (43-207, 70¢).

Selected Principal Statistics for the Smelting and Refining Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2950		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	28	28	0
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	22,932	23,294	1.6
Man-hours paid	000's	45,613	45,150	-0.1
Manufacturing wages	\$000	287,743	314,963	9.5
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	141,134	156,870	11.1
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	564,944	505,255	-10.6
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	1,550,616	1,443,307	-6.9
Value added	\$000	844,537	781,182	-7.5
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	35,577	34,246	-3.7
Total salaries and wages	\$000	491,840	511,696	4.1
Total value added	\$000	886,405	812,654	-8.3

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Smelting and Refining, 1976* (41-214, 70¢).

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Charlottetown, Fredericton, Moncton, Saint John and Sydney by calling the operator and asking for ZENITH 22066. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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Preliminary Monthly Report of Petroleum Sales

April 1978
(Thousands of Barrels)

	Motor Gasoline	Aviation Turbo Fuel	Kerosene and Stove Oil	Diesel Fuel	Light Fuel	Heavy Fuel	Other Products	Total Products
Newfoundland	288	100	73	237	288	74	21	1,081
Prince Edward Island	78	4	16	12	87	44	7	248
Nova Scotia	553	54	91	243	631	935	65	2,572
New Brunswick	451	29	55	142	427	690	53	1,847
Quebec	4,041	471	299	1,064	3,020	3,096	1,224	13,215
Ontario	6,245	672	106	1,452	2,987	2,642	2,312	16,416
Manitoba	725	119	57	296	96	47	80	1,420
Saskatchewan	893	55	33	374	83	1	69	1,508
Alberta	2,055	282	13	909	46	4	357	3,666
British Columbia	1,932	246	64	896	474	579	379	4,570
Northwest Territories	20	59	19	62	43	—	9	212
Yukon	21	5	17	26	21	—	2	92
Canada	17,302	2,096	843	5,713	8,203	8,112	4,578	46,847
Canada 1977	17,047	1,989	839	5,690	7,781	7,957	4,372	45,675
% change 1978/1977	1.5	5.4	0.4	0.4	5.4	1.9	4.7	2.6

Refined Petroleum Products, April 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary data for April show that net sales of all refined petroleum products amounted to 46,847,000 barrels, an increase of 2.6% over the April 1977 total of 45,675,000 barrels.

Canadian refineries produced 47,249,000 barrels of refined petroleum products in April, down 1.5% from 47,954,000 barrels a year earlier.

For further information, order the April issue of *Refined Petroleum Products* (45-004, 40¢/\$4), or contact G.R. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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The Labour Force, May 1978 (71-001, 55¢/\$5.50)

Commercial Failures, Under the Bankruptcy and Winding-up Acts, First Quarter 1978 (61-002, 70¢/\$2.80)

Hospital Morbidity, 1975 (82-206, \$2.80)

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Restaurant Statistics, April 1978 (63-011, 15¢/\$1.50)

Production of Canada's Leading Minerals, April 1978 (26-007, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers, April 1978 (46-001, 15¢/\$1.50)**Concrete Products, April 1978 (44-002, 15¢/\$1.50)****Service Bulletins:**

Railway Transport (52-004, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 8, No. 3, Railway Carloadings, April 1978; Railway Operating Statistics, January 1978

Farm Input Price Indexes

(1971=100)

	Eastern Canada Q1 1978	Western Canada Q1 1978	Canada Q1 1978
Total Farm Input (p)	184.4	189.6	186.9
Building and Fencing	190.7	197.3	193.4
Machinery and Motor Vehicles	170.8	173.4	172.4
Crop Production	216.8	219.0	217.4
Animal Production	174.8	179.1	176.6
Supplies and Services	169.1	170.1	169.5
Hired Farm Labour	202.4	232.9	214.5
Property Taxes (p)	114.3	169.7	147.3
Interest (p)	251.6	236.1	242.8
Farm Rent (p)	190.1	220.0	210.7

p Preliminary figures.

Farm Input Price Indexes (1971=100), First Quarter 1978 — Advance Information

The Farm Input Price Index for Canada increased 3.0% in the first quarter of 1978 to 186.9 from 181.5 in the fourth quarter of 1977. The eastern index rose 3.0% to 184.4 from 179.1 and the western index was up 3.2% to 189.6 from 183.8.

Over the latest 12 months, the index for Canada rose 6.5%. Farm production costs increased 5.6% in the East and 7.8% in the West during the period.

Data users should note that the figures above mark the introduction of the farm input price indexes on 1971 time and weight bases.

For further information, order the first-quarter issue of *Farm Input Price Indexes* (62-004, 35¢/\$1.40), or contact Mrs. A.J. Sprott (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Federal Government Employment, First Quarter 1978 — Advance Information

Including members of the Canadian Armed Forces, the federal government and its enterprises had 583,567 employees as of March 1978, an increase of 21,460 from March 1977. The addition of new government enterprises — mainly Petro Canada, de Havilland Aircraft, Canadair and Connaught Laboratories — with a total employment of 9,548 was the major reason for the increase.

Gross payroll (including overtime and retroactive payments) for the first quarter of 1978 was \$2,406.6 million, an increase of \$390.7 million over the corresponding quarter in 1977. For most employees, the payroll reported for the first quarter of 1978 was for a period of 14 weeks, while the first quarter of 1977 was for a period of 12 weeks.

For further information, order the first quarter issue of *Federal Government Employment* (72-004, 70¢/\$2.80), or contact Mr. T. Moore (613-995-0669), Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Intercensal Revisions (1971-76) Cattle, Sheep, Pigs — Advance Information

Previously-published provincial estimates for all classes of cattle, sheep and pigs on farms during the intercensal period 1971 to 1976 have been revised to conform with census benchmarks.

This information will be carried in tabular form in the July 1, 1978 issue of *Report on Livestock Surveys — Cattle, Sheep* (23-004, 35¢/70¢), and *Report on Livestock Surveys — Pigs* (23-005, 35¢/\$1.40), to be released in August. For further information, contact Mr. P.L. Beerstecher (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables, April 1978 — Advance Information

Advance information on canned and frozen fruits and vegetables for the month of April is now available.

For further information, order the April issue of *Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables* (32-011, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Fish Freezings and Stocks, April 1978 — Advance Information

Advance data from the *Fish Freezings and Stocks* report for the month of April is now available.

For further information, order the April issue of *Fish Freezings and Stocks* (24-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Crime and Traffic Enforcement Statistics, 1976 (85-205, \$5.25)

Road Motor Vehicles, Fuel Sales, 1976 (53-218, 70¢)

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products, April 1978 (62-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Urban Transit, April 1978 (53-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Silver, Lead and Zinc Production, April 1978 (26-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

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Particle Board, April 1978 (36-003, 15¢/\$1.50)

Specified Chemicals, April 1978 (46-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Centralized School Libraries, 1976-77 (Preliminary Statement) — Advance Information

There were 12,117 elementary and secondary public schools in Canada in 1976-77 and 8,692 reported having school libraries. Some 3,371,026 pupils of the total public school enrolment of 3,945,521 were enrolled in schools with centralized libraries.

These libraries reported book holdings of 49,412,275 volumes and expenditures for all print materials during the 1976-77 school year amounted to \$20,911,665. Films and related materials (including films, filmstrips, filmloops, slides and transparencies) accounted for the largest holdings of non-print materials. Expenditures for non-print materials in schools with centralized libraries was \$4,051,409. There were 3,487 full-time librarians employed, including 539 professional librarians.

It should be noted that the data above exclude information on Quebec school libraries. Further details will be contained in the forthcoming publication *Centralized School Libraries in Canada, 1976-77* (87-650). For further information, contact Brian Reagan (613-593-6771), Cultural Institutions Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Fertilizer Trade, 1977 — Advance Information

Advance information on fertilizer trade for the year ending June 1977 is now available.

For details, contact John Dornan (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Elementary-Secondary Education, 1977-78 — Advance Information

Preliminary data on elementary-secondary education are now available for the 1977-78 school year. Please address all requests for information to: Elementary-Secondary Section (613-995-9795), Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, June 1, 1978 — Advance Information

Cold storage holdings of creamery butter were up to 57.4 million pounds on June 1 from last year's corresponding total of 34.8 million while stocks of cheddar cheese were down to 59.2 million pounds from 60.8 million. Stocks of skim milk powder decreased 68.3% to 65.3 million pounds and stocks of evaporated whole milk decreased 18.9% to 15.1 million pounds.

For further information, order the June issue of *Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products* (32-009, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Dairy Factory Production, May 1978 — Advance Information

Production of creamery butter decreased 2.4% in May to 25.5 million pounds from 26.2 million pounds in May 1977. Cheddar cheese production increased 15.7% to 16.8 million pounds from 14.6 million pounds, and production of ice cream mix decreased 6.0% to 3.2 million gallons from 3.4 million gallons.

For further information, order the May issue of *Dairy Factory Production* (32-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

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Production and Sales of Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes in Canada, April 1978 (47-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Service Bulletin:

Culture Statistics (87-001, \$1.40 a year), Vol. 1, No. 3, Travel Price Index, 1977

Estimated Value of Shipments of Own Manufacture by Province of Origin

	Apr. 1978p	Mar. 1978r	Not Seasonally Adjusted % change	Jan.-Apr. 1978	Jan.-Apr. 1977	% change
	(\$ millions)			(\$ millions)		
Newfoundland	59.5	64.1	-7.3	222.4	183.0	21.5
Nova Scotia	207.0	213.1	-2.9	806.8	692.6	16.5
New Brunswick	190.0	189.3	0.4	707.8	678.0	4.4
Quebec	2,693.1	2,801.8	-3.9	10,325.7	8,839.9	16.8
Ontario	5,281.2	5,428.4	-2.7	19,833.3	17,978.1	10.3
Manitoba	271.5	262.5	3.4	1,013.6	933.9	8.5
Saskatchewan	125.0	122.9	1.7	463.1	410.6	12.8
Alberta	570.9	586.6	-2.7	2,187.3	1,814.7	20.5
British Columbia	1,013.1	996.3	1.7	3,740.1	3,187.9	17.3
Canada*	10,423.9	10,679.0	-2.4	39,350.5	34,755.2	13.2

*Includes Prince Edward Island, the Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

p Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

NOTE: Figures may not add due to rounding.

Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, April 1978 — Advance Information

Manufacturers' shipments in April 1978, seasonally adjusted, were estimated at \$10,504.2 million, up 4.0% from the revised March level of \$10,097.0 million. Durable goods shipments rose 4.5% to \$4,799.8 million from \$4,594.1 million and non-durable goods shipments increased 3.7% to \$5,704.4 million from \$5,502.9 million.

New orders in all manufacturing industries, seasonally adjusted, were estimated at \$10,941.0 million, 5.1% higher than the revised March value of \$10,412.3 million. Durable goods new orders rose 7.0% to \$5,218.0 million from \$4,878.5 million and non-durable goods new orders increased 3.4% to \$5,723.0 million from \$5,533.8 million.

Seasonally-adjusted unfilled orders in all manufacturing increased 2.9% to \$11,841.3 million in April from \$11,504.5 million (revised) in March.

Total inventory owned, seasonally adjusted, increased 1.6% in April to \$19,023.7 million from the revised March value of \$18,719.1 million. Total inventory held, seasonally adjusted, increased 1.6% to \$20,212.7 million in April from \$19,901.3 million in March with increases of 0.5%, 2.9% and 1.7% in raw materials, goods in process and finished products, respectively.

The seasonally-adjusted ratio of total inventory owned to shipments was 1.81:1 in April compared to 1.85:1 (revised) for March. The finished products to

shipments ratio in April was 0.63:1, down from the revised March ratio of 0.65:1.

Not adjusted for seasonal variation, manufacturers' shipments in April at an estimated \$10,423.9 million were 2.4% below the revised March value of \$10,679.0 million. Cumulative shipments for the first four months of 1978 were estimated at \$39,350.5 million, up 13.2% from the revised January-April 1977 total of \$34,755.2 million.

After June 23, it will not be possible to retrieve the Shipments, Inventories and Orders series from the CANSIM data bank main base for about four weeks while the annual revisions and adjustments — dating in some cases from January 1, 1975 — are undertaken. The revised series will be available at the time of the release of the data for May 1978. For further information, order the April issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact H.D. Wightman (613-996-7008), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Estimated Value of Shipments, Inventories and Orders in All Manufacturing Industries

(Based on 1974 Census of Manufacturers Benchmarks)

	Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
	Apr. 1978p	Mar. 1978r	Feb. 1978	Apr. 1977
	(\$ millions)			
Shipments: Total	10,423.9	10,679.0	9,253.4	8,915.5
Non-durable	5,569.0	5,652.0	5,069.1	4,737.2
Durable	4,854.9	5,027.0	4,184.3	4,178.3
New Orders: Total	10,824.1	10,948.3	9,600.6	9,118.2
Non-durable	5,611.9	5,719.2	5,129.2	4,733.0
Durable	5,212.3	5,229.1	4,471.5	4,385.2
Unfilled Orders: Total	11,881.0	11,580.7	11,311.4	10,624.2
Non-durable	1,660.1	1,617.2	1,550.0	1,444.6
Durable	10,220.9	9,963.5	9,761.4	9,179.6
Inventory Owned: Total	19,231.1	19,066.9	19,136.7	17,749.7
Inventory Held: Total	20,404.3	20,254.4	20,303.1	18,692.0
Raw materials	7,880.2	7,909.2	7,935.4	7,470.9
Goods in process	5,616.9	5,546.1	5,613.5	4,846.8
Finished Products	6,907.2	6,799.0	6,754.2	6,374.4
	Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Shipments: Total	10,504.2	10,097.0	9,806.0	8,857.6
Non-durable	5,704.4	5,502.9	5,332.3	4,790.4
Durable	4,799.8	4,594.1	4,473.7	4,067.2
New Orders: Total	10,941.0	10,412.3	10,118.1	9,137.0
Non-durable	5,723.0	5,533.8	5,393.7	4,753.9
Durable	5,218.0	4,878.5	4,724.4	4,383.1
Unfilled Orders: Total	11,841.3	11,504.5	11,189.2	10,671.1
Non-durable	1,625.8	1,607.2	1,576.3	1,413.5
Durable	10,215.5	9,897.3	9,612.9	9,257.6
Inventory Owned: Total	19,023.7	18,719.1	18,934.1	17,583.4
Inventory Held: Total	20,212.7	19,901.3	20,095.1	18,535.1
Raw materials	7,992.8	7,949.3	7,946.6	7,600.6
Goods in process	5,575.6	5,420.7	5,552.2	4,809.4
Finished products	6,644.3	6,531.3	6,596.3	6,125.1
Ratio of Total Inventory Owned to Shipments	1.81	1.85	1.93	1.99
Ratio of Finished Products to Shipments	0.63	0.65	0.67	0.69

Consumer Credit, April 1978 — Advance Information
Consumer credit outstanding on the books of selected credit holders reporting monthly reached \$25,700 million at the end of April, an increase of 12.3% from a year earlier.

Outstanding balances of monthly-reporting credit holders at the end of April 1978, with percentage changes from a year earlier:

- Chartered banks' personal loans: \$19,793 million, up 15.7%.
- Quebec savings banks' personal loans: \$93 million, up 20.8%.
- Life insurance companies' policy loans: \$1,299 million, up 3.4%.
- Sales finance and consumer loan companies' loans: small \$189 million, down 12.9%; large \$1,444 million, down 2.1%; instalment sales paper \$1,073 million, down 2.0%.
- Department stores and furniture, TV, radio and household appliance stores: \$1,407 million, up 6.7%.
- Trust and mortgage companies' personal loans: \$402 million (preliminary), up 22.9%.

Credit holders reporting quarterly had combined outstanding balances of \$6,632 million at the end of the

first quarter of 1978, up 15.4% from a year earlier. The largest of these holders, credit unions and caisses populaires, reported preliminary balances outstanding of \$4,732 million, up 19.0% (also included in the quarterly total: other retail stores; other credit-card issuers; and public utilities).

Including quarterly reporters, outstanding balances at the end of the first quarter of 1978 totalled \$31,751 million, up 12.4% from March 31, 1977.

For further information, order the April issue of *Consumer Credit* (61-004, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3585), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, June 1, 1978 — Advance Information

Total frozen meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of June amounted to 102.4 million pounds compared with 104.7 million last month and 119.1 million a year earlier.

For further information, order the June issue of *Stocks of Frozen Meat Products* (32-012, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ended June 7

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	1,819,994	2,446,711	4,266,705
Short tons, 1977	3,002,978	2,339,754	5,342,732
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 651 071	2 219 619	3 870 690
Metric tonnes, 1977	2 724 256	2 122 589	4 846 845
% change	-39.4	4.6	-20.1
Cars, 1978	33,996	36,157	70,153
Cars, 1977	45,512	36,023	81,535
% change	-25.3	0.4	-14.0
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	167,731	60,918	228,649
Short tons, 1977	163,996	55,759	219,755
Metric tonnes, 1978	152 163	55 264	207 427
Metric tonnes, 1977	148 775	50 584	199 359
% change	2.3	9.3	4.0
Cars, 1978	5,242	2,343	7,585
Cars, 1977	4,818	2,328	7,146
% change	8.8	0.6	6.1
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	46,651,168	48,689,662	95,340,830
Short tons, 1977	56,440,434	47,733,688	104,174,122
Metric tonnes, 1978	42 321 228	44 170 518	86 491 746
Metric tonnes, 1977	51 201 900	43 303 273	94 505 173
% change	-17.3	2.0	-8.5
Cars, 1978	809,237	729,591	1,538,828
Cars, 1977	914,279	722,285	1,636,564
% change	-11.5	1.0	-6.0
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	3,685,281	1,323,793	5,009,074
Short tons, 1977	3,518,894	1,276,485	4,795,379
Metric tonnes, 1978	3 343 231	1 200 925	4 544 156
Metric tonnes, 1977	3 192 287	1 158 008	4 350 295
% change	4.7	3.7	4.5
Cars, 1978	111,470	53,489	164,959
Cars, 1977	107,521	54,750	162,271
% change	3.7	-2.3	1.7

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1977 figures have been revised — 1978 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended June 7, 1978 —
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Canadian loadings of rail freight in the above week totalled 3.9 million t (4.3 million short tons), a drop of 20.1% from the corresponding 1977 period. The prolonged major mining strike in Newfoundland and Quebec again influenced Eastern originations (which fell 39.4%) and was mainly responsible for over-all traffic losses. Loadings west of the Lakehead were up 4.6%.

Container-trailer (piggyback) shipments were up 4.0% from the previous year, rising 2.3% in the East and 9.3% in the West.

From January 1 through June 7, 1978, railways in Canada loaded 86.5 million t (95.3 million short tons), down 8.5% from the year-earlier period and the corresponding number of cars loaded was 6.0% below the 1977 level. Cumulative container-trailer (piggyback) traffic showed a gain of 4.5%.

For further information, contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended June 17, 1978 — Advance Information

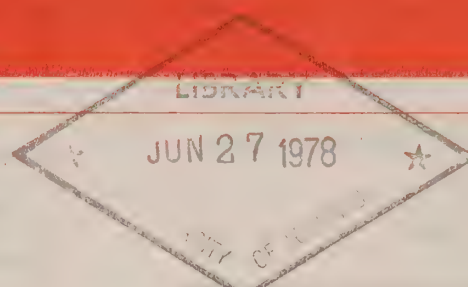
Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended June 17 was 302,093 short tons (274 054 t), a decrease of 1.0% from the preceding week's total of 305,101 short tons (276 783 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was 285,318 short tons (258 836 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 164.8 in the current week, 166.5 a week earlier and 155.7 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Annual Report on Job Vacancies, 1977 (71-203, \$1.40)

Educational Staff of Community Colleges and Vocational Schools, 1976-77 (81-254, \$1.40)

Enrolment in Community Colleges, 1976-77 (81-222, 70¢)

Dairy Statistics, 1977 (23-201, \$1.40)

Fruit and Vegetable Production, June 1978 (22-003, 40¢/\$3)

The Dairy Review, April 1978 (23-001, 40¢/\$4)

New Motor Vehicle Sales, April 1978 (63-007, 30¢/\$3)

Shipping Statistics, March 1978 (54-002, 30¢/\$3)

Jewellery and Silverware Industry, 1976 (47-211, 70¢)

Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics, April 1978 (25-001, 15¢/\$1.50)
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Production and Shipments of Steel Pipe, Tubing and Fittings, April 1978 (41-011, 30¢/\$3)

Iron Castings and Cast Iron Pipe and Fittings, April 1978 (41-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Consumption, Production and Inventories of Rubber, April 1978 (33-003, 30¢/\$3)

Canada-United States Trade in Automotive Products

	1976	1977	First Quarter 1977 1978		Change Between Quarters
			(\$ millions)		
United States Imports from Canada*					
Cars	3,430	4,032	1,069	1,039	-30
Trucks, etc.	1,344	1,964	444	622	178
Parts	2,942	3,721	900	1,010	110
Tires and tubes	163	144	39	38	-1
Total	7,879	9,861	2,452	2,709	257
Canadian Imports from United States					
Cars	2,317	2,818	647	640	-7
Trucks, etc.	969	1,122	275	275	—
Parts	5,473	6,848	1,621	1,814	193
Tires and tubes	115	153	44	33	-11
Total	8,874	10,941	2,587	2,762	175
Balance					
Cars	1,113	1,214	422	399	-23
Trucks, etc.	375	842	169	347	178
Parts	-2,531	-3,127	-721	-804	-83
Tires and tubes	48	-9	-5	5	10
Total	-995	-1,080	-135	-53	82
Excluded: retroactive adjustments to imported parts from U.S. for special tooling charges	112	77	33	—	—

*A more accurate measurement of trade in automotive products is obtained by comparing the import statistics of each country. Accordingly, figures for Canadian exports are derived from the counterpart U.S. statistics of imports.

Canada's Foreign Trade in Automotive Products, First Quarter 1978 — Published Only in Statistics Canada Daily and Infomat

Trade with the United States

Total exports of motor vehicles and parts to the United States gained 10.5% to \$2,709 million in the January-March period of 1978 from \$2,452 million in the first quarter of 1977. A 40% rise in truck exports to \$622 million together with a 12% increase in automotive parts shipments to \$1,010 million accounted for the over-all advance. Exports of passenger cars declined about 3% to \$1,039 million; and tire shipments at \$38 million were \$1 million lower in the first quarter of 1978.

Canadian imports of automotive products rose 6.8% to \$2,762 million in the first three months of 1978 from \$2,587 million in the corresponding period of 1977. The increase was wholly attributable to parts imports, which were up 12% to \$1,814 million. At \$640 million, imports of passenger cars were a shade below the total for the first quarter of 1977; and a 25% decline in tire imports was recorded.

With the expansion of exports surpassing that of imports, the automotive trade deficit declined to \$53 million from \$135 million between the first quarters of the two years. The surplus in the trade in trucks, which more than doubled to \$347 million, was partially offset by the continuing increase in the parts deficit to \$804

million and a 5.5% contraction in the passenger car surplus to \$399 million. There was also a \$10 million turnabout in the tire balance to a surplus of \$5 million.

Overseas Trade

Canadian exports of automotive products to overseas countries rose 4.5% to \$190 million in the first quarter of 1978 from \$182 million in the same period of 1977. A gain of \$21 million in the value of shipments of trucks (primarily to Venezuela and the U.S.S.R.) was partially offset by a decline in parts exports to several countries, including Australia, Venezuela and Brazil. Exports of passenger cars and tires and re-exports were each \$1 million higher in 1978.

Imports of motor vehicles and parts increased by one-third to a record level of \$307 million in the first three months of 1978, with most of the rise accounted for by passenger cars. About two-thirds of this increase was derived from Japanese automobiles, which advanced 29% in both numbers and average (continued)

Canada-Overseas Countries Trade in Automotive Products

	1976	1977	First Quarter 1977	First Quarter 1978	Change Between Quarters
	(\$ millions)				
Canadian exports					
Cars	220	344	89	90	1
Other motor vehicles	208	270	40	61	21
Parts	171	195	51	35	-16
Tires and tubes	8	7	1	2	1
Re-exports	10	10	1	2	1
Total	617	826	182	190	8
Canadian imports					
Cars	483	532	129	201	72
Other motor vehicles	50	60	13	13	—
Parts	231	235	57	61	4
Tires and tubes	79	110	31	32	1
Total	843	937	230	307	77
Balance	-226	-111	-48	-117	-69

Canadian Passenger Car Imports

	First Quarter 1977		First Quarter 1978			Change Between Quarters	
	Units (000)	Share %	Units (000)	Share %	Volume %	Average Price %	Exchange Rate* %
United States	139.0	75.7	124.0	69.1	-10.8	10.9	8.1
Japan	30.7	16.7	39.6	22.0	28.7	29.3	29.9
West Germany	9.2	5.0	10.7	5.9	15.9	23.8	24.9
United Kingdom	2.3	1.3	2.0	1.1	-11.1	13.1	21.6
France	2.1	1.2	1.7	1.0	-17.9	28.0	13.2
Italy	—	—	0.6	0.3	—	—	—
Other Countries	0.3	0.1	1.0	0.6	—	13.6	—
All Countries	183.6	100.0	179.6	100.0	-2.2	10.9	14.1

*Minus (-) sign indicates depreciation of the value of the currency of the country against the Canadian dollar. Rate for all countries is the rate against the Canadian dollar of the SDR, a weighted average of sixteen major world currencies calculated by the International Monetary Fund.

price. Imports of parts and tires together increased by \$5 million to \$93 million in the first quarter of 1978.

Passenger Car Imports

Besides the sizable expansion in the arrival of Japanese vehicles, imports of passenger cars rose from West Germany, Italy and Sweden. Imports of cars from the U.S., however, contracted nearly 11% to 124,000 units in the first three months of 1978; and smaller declines were recorded in shipments from the United Kingdom and France. At 69%, down from 75.5% in January-March 1977, the proportion of American cars of total imports fell below the 70% level for the first time since the initial quarter of 1973. The shares of Japanese and German automobiles expanded, respectively, from 16.5% to 22% and from 5% to nearly 6%.

The rise in the average price of imported American cars of 10.9% coincided with the average increase for all imports, while the unit value of German cars advanced 23.8%. Most of the price rise appeared to have stemmed from the general strengthening of the

exchange rate against the Canadian dollar of currencies of foreign suppliers of motor cars. The rates for the U.S. dollar, Japanese yen and German mark rose by 8%, 30% and 25%, respectively, between the first quarters of 1977 and 1978. The average prices of imported vehicles may of course also have been affected by basic price changes, the introduction of new car lines and the changing import mix.

For further information, contact Mr. H.W. Iwasaki (613-992-2663), External Trade Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

June 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	June 16 78 This week	June 9 78 Week ago	May 19 78 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	109.7	109.8	107.7
Industrials	85	102.5	102.5	101.3
Foods	9	115.8	115.0	114.7
Alcoholic beverages	5	94.7	96.1	95.5
Textiles and clothing	3	157.4	152.8	143.9
Pulp and paper	7	140.0	141.7	141.0
Printing and publishing	5	114.8	115.7	112.1
Primary metals	4	114.5	114.1	110.8
Industrial mines	6	73.9	76.4	74.6
Metal fabricating	9	182.5	182.1	182.5
Non-metallic minerals	4	112.8	111.3	104.4
Petroleum	8	99.3	95.9	97.6
Chemicals	5	116.1	115.8	112.2
Construction	5	316.2	306.0	299.7
Trade	15	93.8	92.0	89.7
Utilities and services	28	111.6	111.8	110.0
Transportation	6	144.9	144.5	144.1
Pipelines	5	93.4	92.9	91.7
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	133.5	131.7	124.4
Telephone	4	115.6	118.1	115.3
Electric power	3	143.8	143.8	142.7
Gas distribution	5	89.6	89.3	87.1
Finances	21	142.5	143.2	136.3
Banks	8	143.3	144.2	135.7
Investment and loan	9	133.1	133.3	130.0
Insurance	4	178.6	179.9	176.3
Mining Index	17	132.5	132.4	126.0
Gold	9	285.3	281.7	270.5
Base metals	8	59.3	60.8	56.8
Uranium	2	235.3	234.9	212.0
Primary oils and gas index	5	137.7	132.8	134.5

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Selected Principal Statistics for the Publishing Industry

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2880		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	524	506	-3.4
Manufacturing Activity				
Production and related workers	No.	—	—	—
Man-hours paid	000's	—	—	—
Manufacturing wages	\$000	—	—	—
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	—	—	—
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	162,487	194,089	19.4
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	391,990	463,946	18.3
Value added	\$000	231,418	274,331	18.5
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	9,182	9,371	2.0
Total salaries and wages	\$000	92,769	105,252	13.4
Total value added	\$000	244,838	290,254	18.5

For further information, contact Gerald W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Printing, Publishing and Allied Industries*, 1976 (36-203, \$1.40).

New Housing Price Indexes

(1976=100)

	Weights	May 1978	April 1978	May 1977	% change	
					May/78 Apr./78	May/78 May/77
St. John's	1.0	101.7	101.7	100.8	—	0.9
Halifax	1.7	102.2	102.2	102.3	—	-0.1
Quebec	3.6	119.5	117.7	111.7	1.5	7.0
Montreal	9.5	107.0	106.2	105.3	0.8	1.6
Ottawa-Hull	5.7	100.9	100.9	102.4	—	-1.5
Toronto	21.2	99.9	99.7	99.7	0.2	0.2
Hamilton	4.2	104.1	104.1	102.2	—	1.9
St. Catharines-Niagara	2.3	112.8	112.8	107.6	—	4.8
Kitchener	2.9	102.9	102.5	100.8	0.4	2.1
London	2.4	108.5	108.5	105.0	—	3.3
Windsor	1.0	113.9	111.1	104.4	2.5	9.1
Thunder Bay	0.9	115.5	114.7	108.2	0.7	6.7
Winnipeg	3.7	110.1	110.1	106.0	—	3.9
Regina	2.3	99.8	98.5	99.8	1.3	—
Saskatoon	1.9	112.1	112.1	105.6	—	6.2
Calgary	9.9	114.6	114.6	108.2	—	5.9
Edmonton	9.8	113.6	110.9	106.5	2.4	6.7
Vancouver	10.6	98.0	97.9	99.0	0.1	-1.0
Victoria	1.9	95.4	95.4	97.8	—	-2.5
Canada Composite (22 cities)	100.0(1)	105.7	105.1	103.4	0.6	2.2

(1) Surveys in New Brunswick, Sudbury and Prince George account for the remaining weight.

For further details on the changes in these indexes, contact Mr. L.J. Seary (613-994-9387), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Tobacco Products — Cigarettes and Cigars, May 1978

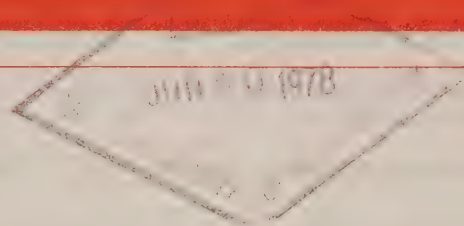
— Advance Information

Production of cigarettes for May amounted to 5.1 billion compared to 5.6 billion for May 1977. Production of cigars totalled 35.6 million, down from 38.0 million in May 1977.

For further information, order the May issue of *Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products* (32-022, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T.P. Sterling (613-992-8619), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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As previously announced, the revision of the CPI will not be available for the June reference month because of technical problems which have been encountered in the new CPI production system. Statistics Canada will advise users of the new month of introduction of the revision once these difficulties have been resolved. Users should note that the release date for Regional Cities CPI's containing data for the reference month of June will now be July 20, 1978.

From April to May, consumer price indexes rose in all regional cities with increases ranging from 0.4% in Halifax to 1.3% in Quebec City, Montreal and Winnipeg. Higher food prices — notably for beef, fresh vegetables and powdered milk — along with increased shelter and household operation charges were largely responsible for these advances. Other important contributing factors included increased prices for some imported and North American model cars, higher prices for cigarettes and alcoholic beverages served in licenced premises, and in many cities, higher charges for men's haircuts and women's hairdressing services.

St. John's

All items: April to May 1978, up 0.7%; May 1977 to May 1978, up 7.7%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, fresh produce and restaurant meals, partially offset by lower prices for chicken and sugar. Prices also up for men's haircuts and women's hairdressing services.

Halifax

All items: April to May 1978, up 0.4%; May 1977 to May 1978, up 6.7%.

Main contributors: increased prices for beef, fresh vegetables and restaurant meals while those for fresh fruit, chicken and pork declined. Higher shelter charges; increased prices for selected new automobiles and for clothing services.

Saint John

All items: April to May 1978, up 0.6%; May 1977 to May 1978, up 7.5%.

Main contributors: prices up for beef, fresh vegetables and powdered milk while those for pork and fresh fruit declined. Increased electricity rates and homeownership charges and higher prices for selected new automobiles; gasoline prices declined.

Quebec City

All items: April to May 1978, up 1.3%; May 1977 to May 1978, up 8.4%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, fresh vegetables and powdered milk while those for poultry and soft drinks declined. Increased prices for cigarettes, men's haircuts and selected new cars. Hotel/motel rates declined.

Montreal

All items: April to May 1978, up 1.3%; May 1977 to May 1978, up 8.7%.

Main contributors: increased prices for fresh produce, beef and powdered milk; higher prices for cigarettes. Prices also up for newspapers and men's haircuts while clothing prices and hotel/motel rates declined.

Ottawa

All items: April to May 1978, up 1.1%; May 1977 to May 1978, up 8.5%.

Main contributors: increased prices for beef, fresh produce and restaurant meals while pork prices declined; higher shelter and household operation charges. Prices up for gasoline, selected new cars and clothing services.

Toronto

All items: April to May 1978, up 1.1%; May 1977 to May 1978, up 8.3%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, fresh produce, chicken, powdered milk and restaurant meals; increased charges for household operation items.

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Thunder Bay

All items: April to May 1978, up 1.2%; May 1977 to May 1978, up 8.1%.

Main contributors: increased prices for beef, pork, fresh produce and restaurant meals while poultry prices declined; higher telephone rates. Increased prices for men's and children's clothing.

Winnipeg

All items: April to May 1978, up 1.3%; May 1977 to May 1978, up 8.5%.

Main contributors: higher prices for beef, pork and fresh produce; increased furniture prices. Prices also up for local transit fares and tobacco and alcohol products while gasoline prices declined.

Saskatoon

All items: April to May 1978, up 0.8%; May 1977 to May 1978, up 8.2%.

Main contributors: increased prices for fresh vegetables, beef, fresh and powdered milk and restaurant meals while those for chicken and soft drinks declined. Higher household operation charges. Gasoline prices declined.

Regina

All items: April to May 1978, up 1.2%; May 1977 to May 1978, up 10.0%.

Main contributors: higher prices for fresh produce, beef and fresh and powdered milk; increased household operation charges. Prices also up for women's hairdressing services.

Edmonton

All items: April to May 1978, up 1.0%; May 1977 to May 1978, up 9.2%.

Main contributors: increased prices for beef and fresh vegetables; higher shelter and household operation charges. Prices declined for selected clothing items.

Calgary

All items: April to May 1978, up 1.0%; May 1977 to May 1978, up 8.3%.

Main contributors: higher prices for fresh vegetables, beef, pork and restaurant meals while those for fresh fruit declined; increased shelter and household operation charges. Prices up for men's haircuts while prices for women's apparel declined.

Vancouver

All items: April to May 1978, up 1.1%; May 1977 to May 1978, up 8.0%.

Main contributors: increased prices for fresh vegetables, beef and restaurant meals while those for pork and chicken declined; higher shelter and household operation charges. Prices also up for selected new automobiles and women's hairdressing services.

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For every 1,000 existing jobs in the latest three-month period five were vacant, an increase of one from the preceding period; there was no change in the vacancy rate from the comparable period in 1977. The highest vacancy rates were observed in Alberta (nine per 1,000), Saskatchewan (six per 1,000) and Manitoba (five per 1,000). The lowest rate (three per 1,000) occurred in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

* The Job Vacancy Survey provides an estimate of the average number of vacancies available on any given day in a three-month period. The estimate of this three-month average is derived from six observations taken at regular intervals. Consequently, the survey does not cover those vacancies which occur and are filled between individual observations. In addition, the survey does not cover openings in agriculture, fishing, hunting, trapping and households. The Job Vacancy Survey is now being conducted by mail only — personal interviews have been discontinued to reduce costs. Henceforth, estimates obtained from data collected by mail will be adjusted by a factor based on the measured effect of interviews on estimates produced over the past seven years. The data derived from the Job Vacancy Survey, taken over time, are consistent and reliable indicators of trends in job openings. For detailed definitions and design of the survey see Canadian Job Vacancy Survey, Technical Appendix, 1972 (71-521, 50¢).

Vacancy Rates for Part-time and Full-time Jobs Canada and Provinces

	Three-month Periods Ending		
	May 1978p	Feb. 1978	May 1977
	(Rates per 1,000 jobs)		
Canada(1)	5	4	5
Atlantic Provinces(2)	3	3	4
Newfoundland	4	4	3
Nova Scotia	3	4	4
New Brunswick	3	3	4
Quebec	4	3	4
Ontario	4	4	5
Manitoba	5	4	7
Saskatchewan	6	4	7
Alberta	9	8	10
British Columbia	4	4	4

p Preliminary estimates.

(1) Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories.

(2) Includes Prince Edward Island.

For further information, contact Mr. J.A. Boucek (613-992-2006), or Ms. M. Beaubien (613-996-7148), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Preliminary Report on Job Vacancies, Three Months Ended May 31, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary estimates of the average number of jobs vacant on a daily basis during the three-month period ended May 31 show an increase of 12% from the previous three-month period. Vacancies for full-time, part-time and casual jobs were 40,700*. Compared with the three-month period a year ago, the number of vacancies decreased by 3,100, or 7%.

Vacancies for full-time jobs increased by 10% to 36,100 from 32,800 in the preceding period. Longer-term vacancies (jobs unfilled for more than four weeks) increased 11% to 12,500.

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, June 1, 1978 — Advance Information

Stocks of fruits, frozen and in preservatives, in storages and factories on June 1 totalled 26.2 million pounds compared with 25.5 million a year earlier. Holdings of vegetables, frozen and in brine, totalled 63.2 million pounds (70.2 million in 1977).

For further information, order the June issue of *Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables* (32-010, 30¢/\$3), or contact C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada

The indexes in this table measure *within each city* the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. *They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.**

	All items	Food	Hous- ing	Cloth- ing	Trans- porta- tion (1971=100)	Health and personal care	Recre- ation education and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
St. John's								
May 1978 index	176.8	215.5	172.9	142.7	164.3	172.1	139.9	154.2
April 1978 index	175.5	211.7	172.5	142.1	164.3	169.1	139.9	154.2
% change from April 1978	0.7	1.8	0.2	0.4	0.0	1.8	0.0	0.0
% change from May 1977	7.7	13.5	6.7	6.2	3.3	6.2	2.2	5.0
Halifax								
May 1978 index	166.1	198.9	162.1	138.1	162.2	155.5	138.6	143.2
April 1978 index	165.4	197.0	161.8	137.8	161.9	154.1	138.8	143.2
% change from April 1978	0.4	1.0	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.9	-0.1	0.0
% change from May 1977	6.7	12.6	5.8	3.9	3.4	8.3	2.3	1.8
Saint John								
May 1978 index	169.9	203.6	166.0	137.9	161.7	165.9	150.6	147.7
April 1978 index	168.9	202.0	164.8	137.5	161.5	165.7	150.9	147.5
% change from April 1978	0.6	0.8	0.7	0.3	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.1
% change from May 1977	7.5	10.8	7.5	4.8	5.4	5.7	0.5	11.1
Quebec City								
May 1978 index	167.8	205.9	159.0	133.4	161.9	162.0	144.5	159.5
April 1978 index	165.6	201.1	158.3	132.4	161.9	160.5	144.2	152.9
% change from April 1978	1.3	2.4	0.4	0.8	0.0	0.9	0.2	4.3
% change from May 1977	8.4	13.5	8.5	-1.0	5.2	9.3	2.5	10.2
Montreal								
May 1978 index	169.4	205.4	155.7	144.8	162.7	165.2	152.7	162.9
April 1978 index	167.2	200.3	155.1	145.4	162.6	162.9	150.4	155.3
% change from April 1978	1.3	2.5	0.4	-0.4	0.1	1.4	1.5	4.9
% change from May 1977	8.7	14.0	8.8	-0.6	4.2	9.0	5.3	11.3
Ottawa								
May 1978 index	169.9	199.1	164.0	157.1	159.0	160.7	141.1	161.1
April 1978 index	168.0	194.4	163.0	156.2	157.6	160.5	140.5	161.0
% change from April 1978	1.1	2.4	0.6	0.6	0.9	0.1	0.4	0.1
% change from May 1977	8.5	14.6	6.6	6.4	5.8	5.3	2.8	11.1
Toronto								
May 1978 index	168.8	202.4	161.5	143.2	157.7	170.7	145.9	156.6
April 1978 index	166.9	196.6	160.6	142.4	157.7	169.9	145.1	156.0
% change from April 1978	1.1	3.0	0.6	0.6	0.0	0.5	0.6	0.4
% change from May 1977	8.3	14.1	7.5	4.2	4.4	5.8	2.5	10.3
Thunder Bay								
May 1978 index	171.5	205.0	168.1	138.4	167.3	169.1	144.4	154.6
April 1978 index	169.5	199.8	166.6	137.1	166.5	167.9	144.4	154.5
% change from April 1978	1.2	2.6	0.9	0.9	0.5	0.7	0.0	0.1
% change from May 1977	8.1	14.7	7.4	5.2	2.1	7.5	2.8	9.6
Winnipeg								
May 1978 index	173.1	205.9	175.5	144.4	158.7	164.3	143.2	154.9
April 1978 index	170.9	200.2	174.4	143.6	157.4	164.4	143.1	150.9
% change from April 1978	1.3	2.8	0.6	0.6	0.8	-0.1	0.1	2.7
% change from May 1977	8.5	16.6	6.4	5.0	5.2	4.9	2.1	9.2
Saskatoon* *								
May 1978 index	168.4	199.8	163.9	147.1	155.1	155.3	158.7	159.8
April 1978 index	167.0	194.9	162.9	146.5	156.6	153.9	158.3	159.8
% change from April 1978	0.8	2.5	0.6	0.4	-1.0	0.9	0.3	0.0
% change from May 1977	8.2	14.6	7.7	3.8	4.3	6.2	4.0	9.5
Regina**								
May 1978 index	173.1	201.4	170.1	145.4	163.1	165.0	162.5	161.0
April 1978 index	171.0	194.7	169.2	144.9	163.1	162.4	162.5	161.0
% change from April 1978	1.2	3.4	0.5	0.3	0.0	1.6	0.0	0.0
% change from May 1977	10.0	17.7	8.7	4.5	7.4	6.4	3.6	9.2

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% change from April 1978	1.0	3.2	0.6	-0.6	0.2	0.7	-0.1	0.0
% change from May 1977	9.2	17.8	8.1	7.8	4.0	6.0	4.8	4.9
Calgary**								
May 1978 index	170.1	197.4	170.6	151.0	160.1	163.0	149.6	143.8
April 1978 index	168.4	191.5	169.3	151.2	160.2	161.3	149.7	143.8
% change from April 1978	1.0	3.1	0.8	-0.1	-0.1	1.1	-0.1	0.0
% change from May 1977	8.3	15.6	7.4	6.0	4.0	7.0	4.3	4.4
Vancouver								
May 1978 index	173.2	205.9	168.6	147.5	163.2	164.4	142.2	158.3
April 1978 index	171.3	201.0	167.5	146.6	162.3	162.6	142.0	158.1
% change from April 1978	1.1	2.4	0.7	0.6	0.6	1.1	0.1	0.1
% change from May 1977	8.0	14.1	6.7	4.8	4.3	5.1	3.8	10.2

* For inter-city indexes of retail price differentials refer to Table 14 of Prices and Price Indexes (62-002, 50¢/\$5.50).

** The indexes for the cities of Saskatoon, Regina, Edmonton and Calgary supersede, as of January 1975, the combined cities series of Saskatoon-Regina and Edmonton-Calgary. For further details see Retail Prices and Living Costs Service Bulletin (Statistics Canada Catalogue No. 62-005, Vol. 3, No. 5).

Education in Canada, 1977 (81-229, \$1.40)

Recent education indicators show that the decline in student numbers which began in the early 1970s is continuing. This reflects the passage of the baby boom generation beyond the age of elementary-secondary school attendance. As a main area of government expenditure, education was overtaken in 1972 by social welfare. In 1970 education represented 9.0% of the Gross National Product; in 1975, 7.9%.

Total education spending has continued to rise, though, and amounted to more than \$13 billion in 1975, an increase of 285% in 10 years. Over the same period, enrolment at all levels increased only 13%. Thus, the average annual expenditure per student went from \$593 to \$1,979. The proportion spent on elementary-secondary education fell from 71% to 65%, while the post-secondary share rose from 24% to 28%.

Total full-time enrolment reached a peak of 6,363,900 in 1970-71, but dropped to 6,186,100 in 1976-77. This over-all decline was due to a 6.7% drop at the elementary-secondary level. In contrast, post-secondary enrolment has continued to rise, the 1976-77 total of 603,500 being almost double the 310,500 of 1966-67. As a proportion of all post-secondary enrolment, the number of non-university students increased from 25.8% to 37.6%.

The number of full-time teachers increased from 249,000 in 1966-67 to 324,900 in 1976-77. The elementary-secondary teaching force was greatest in 1972-73 when it totalled 278,300; by 1976-77, their ranks had dropped to 274,700. To keep up with enrolment at the post-secondary level, the number of teachers rose from 23,000 to 50,200.

Between 1965-66 and 1975-76, secondary school graduates increased from 134,200 to 264,600 in number. Non-university institutions granted 2.5 times more diplomas in 1975-76 than in 1965-66.

From 1965-66 to 1975-76 the number of bachelor's and first professional degrees awarded by universities rose 120%; master's and earned doctorates more than doubled.

The fifth annual edition of *Education in Canada* provides a review of major education statistics for Canada and the provinces. Retrospective summary tables display time series of the most important variables for Canada since 1965-66. More detailed breakdowns of current data are given in separate chapters on institutions, enrolment, graduates, teachers and finance. For further information, contact the Projections Section (613-995-9685), Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Sales Financing, April 1978 — Advance Information

Sales finance companies purchased \$295.9 million of retail finance paper in April, an increase of 26.8% compared with the \$233.3 million purchased in April 1977. Total purchases comprised \$69.6 million for passenger cars, \$32.4 million for other consumer goods, \$124.8 million for commercial vehicles and \$69.1 million for other commercial and industrial goods.

Wholesale financing undertaken by these companies during the first quarter of 1978 amounted to \$2,029.0 million, an increase of 3.8% over the \$1,953.8 million financed in January-March 1977.

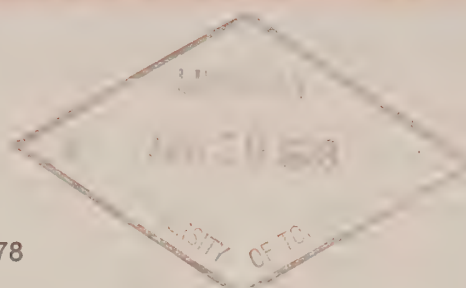
For further information, order the April issue of *Sales Financing* (63-013, 30¢/\$3), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304 or telex 053-3583), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Gross National Product, First Quarter 1978

Following normal practice, data from 1974 to 1977 have been revised with the release of the first quarter estimates of GNP.

Gross National Product, seasonally adjusted at annual rates, increased 2.3% in the first quarter of 1978 to a level of \$222.3 billion; measured in real terms, GNP advanced 0.7%. This real growth was the result of a further improvement in the balance of merchandise trade and renewed strength in personal expenditure and government current expenditure offsetting lower gross capital formation and is a continuation of the pattern of fairly mild quarterly growth rates that the economy has exhibited since the first quarter of 1976. Prices, as measured by the GNE implicit price index, rose by 1.6% compared with an increase of 0.9% in the fourth quarter of 1977, leaving prices in the first quarter of 1978 up 6.6% above their level of the first quarter of the previous year.

Gross fixed capital formation, which was a major contributor to the relatively slow growth of 1977, increased fractionally in the first quarter. With prices rising 2.4%, the volume of fixed investment fell by 2.0% as the result of significant drops in both government and business investment. This was the second consecutive quarterly decline in business investment, and left real business capital formation at its lowest level in three years. The weak performance of business investment is consistent with the low levels of capacity utilization in most industries since 1975.

Exports of goods and services rose 4.8% in the first quarter, while total imports were up 3.3%, leading to a \$728 million improvement in the balance. The increase of \$792 million in real net exports was a notable source of growth. The improvement occurred entirely in the merchandise trade account as the non-merchandise deficit, particularly for travel, continued to increase.

The improvement in the merchandise trade surplus appears to have been partly the result of special circumstances in the U.S. economy and weak domestic demand in Canada rather than an improvement in Canada's competitive position. The increase in the current value of exports originated largely in crude and fabricated metals, coal, industrial machinery and barley. There were reductions in trucks, wheat, iron ore, and wood pulp. These movements, combined with extremely large declines in imports of coal, motor vehicle parts and petroleum, suggest that a substantial part of Canada's improved trade balance in the first quarter can be ascribed to stockpiling of copper and nickel in anticipation of price increases in these goods, and to the U.S. coal strike.

Personal expenditure on goods and services increased 3.0% in the first quarter. In real terms, personal expenditure grew 1.2%, as increases in durables and services offset marginal changes in semi-durables and non-durables consumption. Spending on durables rebounded from a decline in the fourth quarter to post a 4.3% gain in the first due to widespread increases, most notably in furniture, household appliances and motor vehicle sales. The 0.7% decline in semi-durables was the result of marginal growth in clothing and declines in footwear and household furnishings. Continued rapid price increases contributed to the unchanged level of spending on non-durables as weak expenditure on food and non-alcoholic beverages and tobacco offset rising purchases of alcoholic beverages

and gasoline. Services rose 1.4% with the most significant increases in net travel expenditure abroad and purchased transportation.

The 2.0% fall in the volume of total gross fixed capital formation was the product of a 2.4% decline in government investment and a further 1.9% slide in business investment. The decline in government investment largely originated in reduced non-residential construction. Within business investment, non-residential construction edged up 0.7%, while machinery and equipment fell 3.7%; this left business investment in plant and equipment 1.7% below the level in the fourth quarter. The 2.5% decline in residential construction, which may surprise some in view of the first quarter increase in housing starts, was the result of a rise in work-put-in-place being outweighed by overall weakness in other construction expenditure categories.

The value of physical change in inventories in real terms swung \$556 million to a liquidation of \$380 million in the first quarter, largely as a result of a \$592 million downsizing in business non-farm inventories from the fourth quarter. Within the non-farm sector, wholesale trade stocks were liquidated after considerable accumulation in the fourth quarter. Additional decumulations also occurred in the mining sector, partly due to increased exports of mining products. These swings more than offset some increased accumulation in manufacturing stocks.

Wages, salaries and supplementary labour income rose 1.3%. This represents a continuation of the moderate rate of growth of labour income, which began in 1977. The increase in labour income, together with rises in net income of farm operators from farm production, net income of unincorporated business including rent, and a deceleration in government transfers to persons, combined to slow the growth of personal income to 1.8%. A 2.8% fall in personal income taxes, reflecting the federal income tax reduction in January and February, helped to increase personal disposable income 2.2%. With personal expenditure on goods and services expanding at a 3.0% rate of growth, the personal savings rate fell to 10.8% from 11.5% in the fourth quarter.

Corporation profits before taxes rose 6.3% in the first quarter. This was the result of increased profits in mining, trade, finance, insurance and real estate industrial groups.

Total revenues of all levels of government combined (excluding inter-governmental transfers) rose by 2.4% in the first quarter. All categories of revenue increased with the exception of personal direct taxes, which declined 1.2% due to the federal income tax reduction in January and February. Total expenditures of all levels of government increased 3.5% in the quarter with the largest increase in current expenditure on goods and services, particularly at the federal and provincial levels. Because total revenues did not increase as rapidly as expenditures, the deficit of the government sector, on a national accounts basis, widened from \$7.9 billion in the fourth quarter to \$9.0 billion in the first quarter.

Employment, Earnings and Hours, Advance Data

April 1978

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Employment Index Number									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations						Seasonally adjusted			
	Apr. 1978f	Mar. 1978p	Feb. 1978p	Jan. 1978r	Apr. 1977	Mar. 1977	Apr. 1978f	Mar. 1978p	Feb. 1978p	Jan. 1978r
	1961=100									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	59.4	62.8	68.4	68.7	56.3	57.7	83.1	77.3	79.0	77.9
Mining, including milling	112.2	114.2	119.7	120.5	119.4	120.4	116.1	115.4	120.1	121.5
Manufacturing	124.6	124.4	122.9	122.6	124.7	124.3	125.6	126.2	125.9	125.7
Durable Goods	136.5	136.6	135.1	134.9	136.1	136.1	137.3	138.3	137.7	137.2
Non-durable Goods	114.9	114.5	113.1	112.8	115.5	114.7	116.0	116.8	116.3	116.1
Construction	95.8	89.9	89.6	90.1	104.9	98.2	103.7	102.8	104.5	104.9
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	128.9	127.7	127.4	125.9	127.9	126.2	130.8	130.7	131.0	129.5
Trade	168.9	167.7	166.7	168.7	168.8	167.7	170.1	170.5	170.6	169.8
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	198.3	198.0	197.4	196.7	191.5	191.4	199.8	198.6	199.1	198.2
Service	253.9	251.7	249.4	245.4	245.4	241.6	258.3	258.7	258.8	255.4
Industrial Composite	142.1	141.2	140.4	140.1	141.7	140.4	144.6	144.9	145.0	144.2
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	123.6	121.7	122.8	123.1	124.0	121.2	130.3	129.9	131.8	131.2
Newfoundland	118.9	116.1	121.1	123.0	125.9	122.0	127.8	126.4	131.9	135.2
Prince Edward Island	145.7	137.3	136.9	133.0	136.7	128.7	160.3	157.5	159.6	151.9
Nova Scotia	124.6	123.2	123.1	123.1	123.3	120.7	127.8	127.9	128.7	128.4
New Brunswick	123.4	122.0	122.1	122.1	122.5	120.7	131.9	131.4	132.3	130.8
Quebec	123.2	122.3	122.1	122.5	125.5	124.6	126.0	125.9	126.1	126.2
Ontario	147.1	146.2	145.4	145.4	145.6	144.0	148.8	149.4	149.2	148.8
Prairie Region	156.8	156.1	155.2	155.2	155.6	154.2	160.5	160.5	160.4	160.0
Manitoba	121.0	119.7	119.8	120.2	123.5	122.2	123.2	123.0	123.6	123.4
Saskatchewan	139.7	137.8	136.6	136.7	139.6	137.9	143.9	143.2	142.5	142.1
Alberta	193.8	194.1	192.4	192.2	189.2	187.6	198.7	199.2	198.5	198.6
British Columbia	171.7	171.5	167.8	163.0	168.9	169.4	171.0	172.7	172.9	168.1
Yukon	195.8	192.5	192.4	185.6	184.4	183.1	202.3	200.9	206.1	201.6
Northwest Territories	144.0	146.2	139.6	137.0	152.9	154.0	150.3	155.2	150.9	151.0
Canada	142.1	141.2	140.4	140.1	141.7	140.4	144.6	144.9	145.0	144.2

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Employment, Earnings and Hours (Seasonally Adjusted), April 1978 — Advance Information

The first estimates of the Canadian industrial composite* index of employment (1961=100) for April 1978 showed a 0.2% decline from March. Manufacturing, trade and service registered decreases while the remaining industry divisions posted gains. Ontario and British Columbia recorded losses, the Prairie Region remained unchanged, and Quebec and the Atlantic Region registered increases.

Average weekly earnings rose by 0.4% at the national industrial composite level in April. Gains were recorded in all industry divisions with the exception of forestry, mining (including milling), trade and service which all decreased. All regions contributed to the over-all advance.

Average weekly hours were up in manufacturing and in construction but were down in mining (including milling). Average hourly earnings increased in mining (including milling) but declined in manufacturing and in construction.

* Industrial composite is the sum of all industries with the exception of agriculture, fishing and trapping, education and related services, health and welfare services, religious organizations, private households and public administration and defence. All statistics are based on returns received from employers having 20 or more employees in any month of the year. Notes on concepts and methods can be found in any issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours*.

Detailed information for February and March will be published in the April issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002, 70¢/\$7), and is also available from Mr. R. Ouellette (613-992-5613), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

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Vinyl-asbestos Floor Tile, May 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers produced 4,395 short tons (3 987 t) or 8,662,569 square feet (804 779 m²) of vinyl-asbestos floor tile in May, up from 3,926 short tons (3 562 t) or 8,184,408 square feet (760 356 m²) in May 1977.

For further information, order the May issue of *Production and Shipments of Floor Tiles* (47-001, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. R. Ralph (613-992-2231), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted				
	Apr. 1978f	Mar. 1978p	Feb. 1978p	Jan. 1978r	Apr. 1977	Mar. 1977	Apr. 1978f	Mar. 1978p	Feb. 1978p	Jan. 1978r
	dollars									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	341.69	349.12	349.79	334.96	325.27	325.26	325.92	329.67	334.22	330.27
Mining, including milling	363.39	369.82	373.12	366.89	341.98	244.07	362.92	366.38	369.13	362.61
Manufacturing	283.83	281.58	281.04	274.13	262.64	261.52	282.33	280.26	279.73	272.74
Durable Goods	304.72	301.57	300.36	289.67	280.54	279.28	303.11	301.30	299.58	288.57
Non-durable Goods	263.86	262.41	262.47	259.18	245.67	244.57	262.10	260.87	260.98	258.25
Construction	382.93	381.27	381.03	364.13	361.86	358.19	387.11	379.75	379.59	366.48
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	305.89	304.49	303.64	303.81	288.99	285.79	305.34	304.86	301.23	301.13
Trade	200.88	199.42	197.13	194.65	188.96	185.69	200.76	200.77	198.94	197.33
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	241.67	241.62	239.13	238.73	227.38	228.92	238.57	237.84	237.63	238.35
Service	176.99	178.74	176.18	175.99	168.18	168.15	177.18	179.96	176.96	174.87
Industrial Composite	262.09	261.01	260.07	256.02	246.43	244.68	262.35	261.19	259.94	256.15
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	226.90	227.74	229.19	229.71	220.90	220.28	226.51	225.06	227.30	227.64
Newfoundland	237.56	239.66	248.00	248.32	243.26	243.56	238.92	237.31	244.70	245.72
Prince Edward Island	195.54	195.32	191.78	195.59	187.92	185.05
Nova Scotia	221.75	219.22	219.43	220.34	209.35	206.67	220.80	217.44	218.82	218.33
New Brunswick	229.89	234.08	232.79	232.34	223.39	224.90	228.04	229.33	229.96	227.21
Quebec	258.34	256.35	256.62	254.45	240.10	238.53	258.60	257.12	256.03	254.65
Ontario	262.36	260.81	259.52	252.84	246.05	244.43	262.36	261.41	259.91	252.81
Prairie Region	256.82	257.42	255.98	252.13	243.33	241.58	257.13	256.91	255.49	252.84
Manitoba	235.90	235.42	233.89	230.80	222.84	221.65	236.02	235.14	235.44	232.76
Saskatchewan	245.77	245.36	242.21	240.34	232.70	230.31	245.28	245.56	242.45	241.72
Alberta	271.02	272.30	271.51	269.65	257.77	255.88	271.24	271.30	269.86	269.92
British Columbia	295.86	295.00	293.10	291.12	280.59	277.24	300.27	298.04	293.89	291.97
Yukon	362.46	368.46	351.00	349.98	350.01	349.24
Northwest Territories	300.37	298.27	296.96	304.20	296.26	295.93
Canada	262.09	261.01	260.07	256.02	246.43	244.68	262.35	261.19	259.94	256.15

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Residential Building Construction Input Price Indexes

May 1978 — Advance Information
(1971=100)

	May 1978	Apr. 1978	May 1977	% Change	
				May/78 Apr./78	May/78 May/77
Canada, Total	189.3	186.4	175.3	1.5	8.0
Materials	180.9	179.1	163.4	1.0	10.7
Labour	204.4	199.6	196.4	2.4	4.1
Atlantic Provinces, Total	195.8	194.4	185.3	0.7	5.7
Materials	181.1	178.9	167.1	1.2	8.4
Labour	221.3	221.3	216.9	—	2.0
Quebec, Total	196.8	189.0	178.1	4.1	10.5
Materials	188.7	184.9	168.2	2.1	12.2
Labour	212.0	196.8	196.8	7.8	7.7
Ontario, Total	182.2	180.5	169.7	0.9	7.4
Materials	175.6	174.4	159.6	0.7	10.0
Labour	193.3	191.0	186.9	1.2	3.4
Prairie Provinces, Total	198.9	196.6	183.9	1.2	8.2
Materials	184.5	183.5	165.6	0.6	11.4
Labour	226.8	222.1	219.3	2.1	3.4
British Columbia, Total	187.3	186.7	174.9	0.3	7.1
Materials	181.4	180.5	164.4	0.5	10.3
Labour	197.8	197.8	193.6	—	2.2

For further information, order *Construction Price Statistics, Monthly Bulletin* (62-007, \$4 per year), or contact Mrs. G.A. John (613-994-5807), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V5.

Employment, Earnings and Hours (continued)

Industry Division and Area (1960 S.I.C.)	Average Weekly Hours and Average Hourly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally adjusted				
	Apr. 1978f	Mar. 1978p	Feb. 1978p	Jan. 1978r	Apr. 1977	Mar. 1977	Apr. 1978f	Mar. 1978p	Feb. 1978p	Jan. 1978r
					number					
Average Weekly Hours:										
Canada:										
Mining, including milling	39.1	40.5	40.9	40.6	40.2	40.7	39.4	40.5	40.4	40.1
Manufacturing	39.0	38.6	39.0	37.9	38.7	38.9	38.8	38.3	38.8	37.9
Durable Goods	40.0	39.6	39.9	38.2	39.5	39.9	39.7	39.4	39.7	38.1
Non-durable Goods	37.9	37.6	38.1	37.5	37.9	38.0	37.7	37.4	38.0	37.5
Construction	38.5	38.3	38.1	36.3	38.5	38.4	39.2	38.4	38.4	37.2
Building	37.3	36.7	36.9	35.3	37.0	37.0	37.3	36.7	36.8	35.6
Engineering	41.0	41.7	40.6	38.4	41.3	41.5	42.3	42.3	41.0	39.7
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	38.1	37.6	38.5	38.5	38.7	38.0	37.6	37.4	38.5	38.0
Quebec	39.2	38.9	39.3	39.0	38.9	39.2	38.9	38.4	39.1	39.0
Ontario	39.7	39.1	39.5	37.5	39.2	39.7	39.5	38.9	39.5	37.5
Prairie Region	37.7	37.6	37.5	37.1	37.3	37.6	37.6	37.5	37.3	37.1
British Columbia	36.0	36.0	36.5	36.4	36.4	36.2	35.9	35.8	36.2	35.9
					dollars					
Average Hourly Earnings:										
Canada:										
Mining, including milling	8.54	8.58	8.63	8.54	7.97	7.99	8.55	8.53	8.65	8.55
Manufacturing	6.75	6.75	6.68	6.63	6.27	6.21	6.73	6.74	6.69	6.63
Durable Goods	7.21	7.18	7.12	7.05	6.69	6.60	7.21	7.19	7.14	7.05
Non-durable Goods	6.28	6.28	6.22	6.20	5.83	5.80	6.24	6.24	6.23	6.19
Construction	10.18	10.21	10.28	10.17	9.62	9.55	10.11	10.13	10.13	10.03
Building	10.05	10.12	10.12	10.04	9.44	9.36	10.09	10.12	10.07	9.98
Engineering	10.41	10.39	10.59	10.43	9.93	9.93	10.23	10.21	10.32	10.29
Manufacturing:										
Atlantic Region	6.09	6.19	6.11	6.10	5.74	5.79	6.03	6.08	5.97	5.98
Quebec	6.11	6.11	6.08	6.05	5.63	5.57	6.10	6.12	6.09	6.06
Ontario	6.85	6.83	6.76	6.68	6.38	6.31	6.83	6.82	6.78	6.68
Prairie Region	6.74	6.70	6.68	6.63	6.37	6.22	6.75	6.76	6.76	6.68
British Columbia	8.76	8.74	8.69	8.73	8.13	8.07	8.76	8.76	8.69	8.69

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Railway Operating Statistics, March 1978 — Advance Information

Six major Canadian railways reported combined net income of \$33.1 million in March, an increase of 19.9% over the \$27.6 million registered a year earlier. Total operating revenues were up 8.1% to \$328.6 million while operating expenses rose 6.9% to \$295.5 million.

Freight ton-miles increased 3.3% in the latest month and average revenue received per ton-mile rose 2.1% to 2.332 cents from 2.284 cents. While freight train-miles showed a decline of 0.4%, a gain of 0.4% was recorded for freight car-miles. The number of passenger-miles generated in March dipped 1.8% with both commuter and non-commuter services registering declines.

In the first quarter of 1978, operating revenues for the six railways were 8.7% above the year-earlier level; expenses increased 7.3%; and net income at \$44.6 million was up 43.0% from the January — March 1977

period. Cumulative ton-miles were 2.2% higher in the latest quarter and passenger-miles were up 14.8%.

For further information, order the March issue of *Railway Operating Statistics* (52-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Charlottetown, Fredericton, Moncton, Saint John and Sydney by calling the operator and asking for ZENITH 22066. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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Real Domestic Product, April 1978 — Advance Information

The seasonally-adjusted index of real domestic product (1971=100) increased 0.4% to 130.5 in April from 130.0 in March. The index of industrial production declined 0.2% in April. Goods-producing and service-producing industries were both up 0.4% during the month.

In goods-producing industries, agriculture, forestry, fishing and trapping, manufacturing and construction recorded increases. Output of mines and utilities declined in April. In agriculture, increased livestock and dairy production accounted for the increase. Forestry operations advanced in April due to increased logging and pulpwood activity. The fishing industry experienced higher than normal catches in some species such as scallops, herring and cod. In manufacturing, increases were widespread with non-durables and durables up significantly. In non-durables, increases were recorded by manufacturers of rubber and plastic products, leather products, shoe factories, paper and allied products, printing and publishing, and chemical and chemical products industries. Durable manufacturing increased for the third consecutive month. Manufacturers of transportation equipment, electrical products and non-metallic mineral products recorded significant gains during April, while manufacturers of wood products, furniture and fixtures, metal fabricating and machinery products recorded more moderate increases. Most of the increase in the electrical products industry stemmed from manufacturers of major appliances and household radio and television sets (the reduction in provincial retail sales taxes may have accounted for some of the increased activity in the month). In April, the construction industry recorded the strongest monthly increase since October 1977, with increases in both residential and non-residential building activity.

In service-producing industries, trade, finance, insurance and real estate, community business and personal services, and public administration and

defence services increased, while transportation, storage and communication declined. In trade, both wholesale and retail trade were up significantly, due to increases by wholesale merchants and food stores, department stores, motor vehicle dealers, clothing stores, hardware and furniture, television, radio and appliance stores. Finance, insurance and real estate services increased marginally. Community, business and personal services advanced primarily due to increases in accommodation and food services. In public administration and defence services, all levels of government administration recorded increases. Within transportation, storage and communications, declines were concentrated in air, railway, bus and pipeline transport, as well as grain elevators. The communications component was up considerably in April, showing the sharpest gain since December.

For further information, order the April issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (including the Index of Industrial Production)*, (61-005, 40¢/\$4), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Indexes of Real Domestic Product

(1971=100)

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1971 percentage weight	1978				% Change
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	
Real Domestic Product	100.000	128.7	130.4	130.0	130.5	0.4
Agriculture	3.371	98.5	99.9	97.9	99.4	1.5
Forestry	.715	115.9	117.6	116.9	121.8	4.2
Fishing and Trapping	.181	113.3	128.6	107.1	123.1	14.9
Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3.819	105.7	109.3	108.0	100.2	-7.2
Manufacturing industries	22.862	123.1	125.5	125.8	127.3	1.2
Construction industry	6.990	107.1	108.8	109.7	111.9	2.0
Transportation, storage and communication	9.096	138.8	140.5	140.4	139.8	-0.4
Transportation	5.874	127.0	129.0	128.8	126.6	-1.7
<i>Air transport and services incidental to air transport</i>	.679	190.8	190.9	194.8	187.0	-4.0
<i>Railway transport</i>	1.700	119.3	123.1	121.1	118.0	-2.6
<i>Bus transport, interurban and rural</i>	.089	138.5	133.8	128.9	122.3	-5.1
<i>Urban transit systems</i>	.250	119.6	116.9	114.5	118.7	3.7
<i>Pipeline transport</i>	.489	117.8	126.1	119.5	115.1	-3.7
<i>Storage</i>	.258	101.9	110.7	125.8	119.2	-5.2
<i>Grain elevators</i>	.177	82.4	94.8	118.2	108.9	-7.9
<i>Communication</i>	2.964	165.3	165.9	164.8	167.8	1.8
Electric power, gas and water utilities	2.816	161.4	160.5	157.5	153.2	-2.7
Trade	11.367	137.0	139.8	136.9	138.4	1.1
Wholesale trade	4.509	128.3	130.9	127.4	129.4	1.6
<i>Wholesale merchants</i>	3.242	128.9	132.5	128.8	130.7	1.5
Retail trade	6.858	142.8	145.5	143.1	144.4	0.9
<i>Food stores</i>	1.368	115.4	115.4	115.0	115.9	0.8
<i>General merchandise stores</i>	1.562	141.0	146.5	144.5	144.5	—
<i>Department stores</i>	.927	164.0	172.6	166.8	167.7	0.5
<i>Other general merchandise stores</i>	.635	107.5	108.4	111.9	110.6	-1.2
<i>Motor vehicle dealers</i>	.697	158.8	162.6	158.1	164.6	4.1
<i>Clothing stores</i>	.462	132.0	132.9	129.9	130.4	0.4
<i>Hardware stores</i>	.098	114.9	116.5	118.5	120.6	1.8
<i>Furniture, television, radio and appliance stores</i>	.177	138.7	149.3	145.4	151.6	4.3
<i>Drug stores</i>	.290	169.2	169.3	171.0	170.9	-0.1
Finance, insurance and real estate	12.036	137.0	137.4	137.6	137.9	0.2
Community, business and personal service industries	19.359	135.3	136.8	137.0	137.5	0.4
Education and related services	6.509	110.4	111.6	112.1	112.3	0.2
Health and welfare services	5.272	135.0	135.6	136.1	136.5	0.3
Amusement and recreation services	.427	175.6	177.1	176.1	177.6	0.9
Services to business management	2.311	197.4	201.1	202.0	202.2	0.1
Personal services	1.000	107.3	107.7	107.6	107.5	-0.1
Accommodation and food services	2.799	147.3	149.7	148.4	150.8	1.6
Public administration and defence	7.388	125.7	125.4	126.0	126.6	0.5
Special groupings:						
Index of industrial production	29.497	124.5	126.7	126.5	126.2	-0.2
Real domestic product less agriculture	96.629	129.8	131.4	131.2	131.6	0.3
Goods-producing industries	40.754	119.2	121.3	121.0	121.5	0.4
Goods-producing industries less agriculture	37.383	121.1	123.2	123.1	123.5	0.3
Service-producing industries	59.246	135.3	136.6	136.3	136.8	0.4
Commercial industries	81.341	131.2	133.1	132.5	133.0	0.4
Commercial industries less agriculture	77.970	132.6	134.5	134.0	134.5	0.4
Non-commercial industries	18.659	118.2	118.7	119.3	119.6	0.3
Non-durable manufacturing industries	11.496	122.1	124.7	123.9	125.2	1.0
Durable manufacturing industries	11.366	124.2	126.2	127.6	129.4	1.4

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The Economic Value of Household Work

Released today is *Estimating the Value of Household Work in Canada, 1971* (13-566, \$1.05), a study undertaken by Professor Oli Hawrylyshyn of Queen's University and sponsored by Statistics Canada. The study describes the potential for measuring the economic value of household work and delineates the theoretical and methodological foundations for such evaluation. The paper contains various estimates for household work in 1971, and analyzes their statistical quality. This publication continues the exploration into the measurement of economic non-market activities begun with the report *A Review of Recent Proposals for Modifying and Extending the Measure of GNP* (13-558, \$1.05).

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Estimating the Value of Household Work in Canada, 1971 (13-566, \$1.05)

Exports by Commodities, March 1978 (65-004, 80¢/\$8)

Wholesale Trade, April 1978 (63-008, 15¢/\$1.50)

Housing Starts and Completions, March 1978 (64-002, 55¢/\$5.50)

International Travel, April 1978 (66-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Tobacco and Tobacco Products Statistics, January-March 1978 (32-014, 70¢/\$2.80)

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Oils and Fats, April 1978 (32-006, 30¢/\$3)

Coal and Coke Statistics, January 1978 (45-002, 40¢/\$4)

Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables, April 1978 (32-011, 30¢/\$3)

Wooden Box Factories, 1976 (35-209, 70¢)

Production of Poultry and Eggs, 1977 (23-202, 70¢)

Confectionery Manufacturers, 1976 (32-213, 70¢)

Boatbuilding and Repair, 1976 (42-205, 70¢)

Gas Utilities, March 1978 (55-002, 30¢/\$3)

Shipments of Prepared Stock and Poultry Feeds, April 1978 (32-004, 40¢/\$4)

Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

	Apr. 1978f (\$ millions)	Mar. 1978p	Feb. 1978r
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Newfoundland	130.8	131.8	133.6
Prince Edward Island	26.3	25.2	24.7
Nova Scotia	247.5	240.7	242.3
New Brunswick	189.7	191.0	189.3
Quebec	2,407.0	2,371.7	2,356.6
Ontario	3,994.0	3,948.1	3,902.4
Manitoba	375.8	373.3	367.1
Saskatchewan	287.2	278.2	273.6
Alberta	833.9	830.7	820.2
British Columbia	1,178.6	1,156.2	1,124.0
Yukon, Northwest Territories	34.2	34.8	32.1
Total Wages and Salaries	9,705.1	9,581.7	9,465.9
Supplementary Labour Income	794.8	784.5	775.3
Labour Income	10,499.9	10,366.2	10,241.2
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Newfoundland	138.0	138.4	141.7
Prince Edward Island	28.4	27.8	27.3
Nova Scotia	253.6	249.5	251.9
New Brunswick	198.4	199.9	200.4
Quebec	2,432.1	2,408.8	2,397.8
Ontario	4,036.5	4,031.6	4,001.3
Manitoba	382.4	383.2	380.2
Saskatchewan	293.4	288.7	286.1
Alberta	851.0	852.1	841.7
British Columbia	1,190.5	1,159.5	1,152.5
Yukon, Northwest Territories	34.7	35.7	33.3
Total Wages and Salaries	9,839.0	9,775.1	9,714.3
Supplementary Labour Income	805.7	800.3	795.4
Labour Income	10,644.7	10,575.4	10,509.7

f First estimate

p Preliminary estimate

r Revised estimate

Estimates of Labour Income, April 1978 — Advance Information

Labour income for the month of April was estimated at \$10.5 billion, an increase of \$844 million or 8.7% from April 1977.

Adjusted for seasonal variation, wages and salaries increased by \$64 million between March and April to \$9.8 billion.

Detailed estimates for April will be published in the April-June issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-

005, \$1.05/\$4.20), or may be obtained upon request from Mrs. G. Gauthier (613-995-8067), Labour Income Section, Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

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Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

Basis: 1960 Standard Industrial Classification

	Apr. 1978f	Mar. 1978p (\$ millions)	Feb. 1978r	Apr. 1977
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Primary Industries	80.0	70.8	58.6	70.9
Forestry	83.5	91.9	97.8	72.1
Mines, Quarries and Oil Wells	239.5	248.8	255.0	231.7
Manufacturing Industries	2,208.1	2,184.0	2,152.9	2,017.9
Construction Industry	692.6	640.2	634.2	706.4
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	1,012.8	993.6	993.7	943.1
Trade	1,280.6	1,263.3	1,244.1	1,189.6
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	639.6	641.1	630.4	573.4
Commercial and Personal Service	906.8	898.0	883.1	825.0
Education and Related Services	1,049.3	1,051.2	1,038.2	937.3
Health and Welfare Services	614.4	601.7	603.0	567.8
Federal Administration and Other Government Offices	378.2	382.9	372.1	354.3
Provincial Administration	289.9	291.5	282.6	255.2
Local Administration	229.7	222.6	220.3	205.4
Total Wages and Salaries	9,705.1	9,581.7	9,465.9	8,950.1
Supplementary Labour Income	794.8	784.5	775.3	705.6
Labour Income	10,499.9	10,366.2	10,241.2	9,655.7
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Primary Industries	101.6	97.3	96.1	90.3
Forestry	110.6	109.9	107.5	96.5
Mines, Quarries and Oil Wells	246.3	247.7	257.0	238.1
Manufacturing Industries	2,226.3	2,214.5	2,201.6	2,036.4
Construction Industry	753.6	735.2	746.6	770.2
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	1,025.4	1,020.3	1,018.2	955.1
Trade	1,289.3	1,289.4	1,278.4	1,198.4
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	637.7	631.0	632.5	571.6
Commercial and Personal Service	922.8	919.2	910.9	839.9
Education and Related Services	1,000.3	986.2	965.9	890.9
Health and Welfare Services	613.9	611.8	606.5	568.0
Federal Administration and Other Government Offices	378.0	382.5	376.9	354.7
Provincial Administration	299.6	300.4	289.2	263.8
Local Administration	233.6	229.7	226.9	209.1
Total Wages and Salaries	9,839.0	9,775.1	9,714.3	9,082.8
Supplementary Labour Income	805.7	800.3	795.4	715.8
Labour Income	10,644.7	10,575.4	10,509.7	9,798.6

f First Estimate

p Preliminary Estimate

r Revised Estimate

Industrial Corporations, Financial Statistics, First Quarter 1978 — Advance Information

After-tax profits of industrial corporations (not seasonally adjusted) were \$2,401 million in the first quarter of 1978, an increase of \$236 million (10.9%) from the first quarter of 1977.

Total sales of \$66 billion increased \$7 billion (11.9%) from the first quarter of 1977.

Assets increased \$2 billion (1.1%) over the fourth quarter of 1977 and \$15 billion (8.9%) from the first quarter of 1977.

(The figures above represent the latest data for the first quarter of 1978 and supersede preliminary estimates for the same period released last month. The figures are also available on CANSIM). For further information, order the first quarter issue of *Industrial Corporations, Financial Statistics* (61-003, \$1.75/\$7), or contact Mr. R. St. Germain (613-996-2130), Business Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Oil Pipeline Transport, April 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian oil pipe lines received 2,090,400 barrels a day (332 185 m3D) of crude oil, condensate, pentanes plus and refined petroleum product in April, down 7.6% from the 2,263,000 B/D (359 613 m3D) received a year earlier. Receipts of domestic petroleum and products decreased 9.0% to 1,803,200 B/D (286 546 m3D), while imported petroleum and products receipts increased 2.1% to 287,200 B/D (45 639 m3D).

For further information, order the April issue of *Oil Pipe Line Transport* (55-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. G. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Charlottetown, Fredericton, Moncton, Saint John and Sydney by calling the operator and asking for ZENITH 22066. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, May 1978 — Advance Information

Canadian manufacturers shipped 1,617,310,000 square feet (150 253 000 m²) of corrugated boxes and wrappers in May, an increase of 11.3% from 1,452,957,000 square feet (134 985 000 m²) a year earlier.

January-May shipments totalled 7,403,385,000 square feet (687 796 000 m²) in 1978 compared to 7,023,883,000 square feet (653 393 000 m²) in 1977.

For further information, order the May issue of *Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers* (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. G.W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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Industry Price Indexes, February 1978 (62-011, 55¢/\$5.50)

Air Carrier Traffic at Canadian Airports, Fourth Quarter 1977 (51-005, \$1.75/\$7)

Dairy Factory Production, May 1978 (32-002, 15¢/\$1.50)

Telephone Statistics, 1977 (56-202, 35¢)

Projections of the Population of Canada by Age Groups

1976-2001

Year (as of June 1)	Total	Age Groups					Total	Age Groups				
		0-14	15-24	25-44	45-64	65+		0-14	15-24	25-44	45-64	65+
		(thousands)						(thousands)				
Census population												
1971	21,568.3	6,380.9	4,003.8	5,415.9	4,023.3	1,744.4	21,568.3	6,380.9	4,003.8	5,415.9	4,023.3	1,744.4
1976	22,992.6	5,896.2	4,479.1	6,217.5	4,397.5	2,002.4	22,992.6	5,896.2	4,479.1	6,217.5	4,397.5	2,002.4
Projected population		Projection 1 (high growth series)a						Projection 4 (low growth series)b				
1981	24,573.5	5,691.8	4,712.4	7,232.5	4,622.7	2,314.1	24,205.3	5,514.9	4,664.1	7,124.6	4,598.6	2,303.1
1986	26,331.1	6,080.6	4,333.7	8,449.8	4,841.0	2,626.1	25,440.3	5,589.4	4,245.4	8,216.5	4,788.0	2,601.0
1991	28,091.9	6,668.0	3,893.8	9,312.4	5,218.7	2,999.0	26,548.7	5,752.2	3,758.7	8,955.6	5,123.8	2,958.3
1996	29,642.5	6,927.9	4,034.2	9,425.0	5,980.0	3,275.3	27,411.9	5,674.1	3,745.2	8,956.7	5,817.7	3,218.2
2001	30,980.7	6,849.9	4,519.2	9,217.9	6,931.3	3,462.3	28,053.5	5,397.9	3,943.5	8,656.2	6,668.5	3,387.4
Population change during five years		(percentage)						(percentage)				
1971-1976	6.60	-7.60	11.87	14.80	9.30	14.79	6.60	-7.60	11.87	14.80	9.30	14.79
1976-1981	6.88	-3.47	5.21	16.32	5.12	15.57	5.27	-6.47	4.13	14.59	4.57	15.02
1981-1986	7.15	6.83	-8.04	16.83	4.72	13.48	5.10	1.35	-8.98	15.33	4.12	12.93
1986-1991	6.69	9.66	-10.15	10.21	7.80	14.20	4.36	2.91	-11.46	9.00	7.01	13.74
1991-1996	5.52	3.90	3.61	1.21	14.59	9.21	3.25	-1.36	-0.36	0.01	13.54	8.79
1996-2001	4.51	-1.13	12.02	-2.20	15.91	5.71	2.34	-4.87	5.29	-3.36	14.62	5.26

a. Projection 1 is based on a net immigration of 100,000 persons per annum and an increase in total fertility rate from 1.9 in 1976 to 2.1 by 1991 and constant thereafter.

b. Projection 4 is based on a net immigration of 50,000 persons per annum and a decrease in total fertility rate from 1.9 in 1976 to 1.7 by 1991 and constant thereafter.

Note: Projections 2 and 3 (not shown in the table) are based on a net immigration of 75,000 persons per annum and the foregoing two fertility assumptions respectively.

Source: Statistics Canada, *Population Projections for Canada and the Provinces, 1976-2001* (forthcoming publication), Catalogue 91-520.

Population Projections for Canada and the Provinces, 1976-2001 — Advance Information

New population projections for Canada indicate lower growth than previous projections based on the 1971 census. The total population of Canada is expected to lie between 26.5 and 28.1 million in 1991, reflecting an annual average rate of growth of between 0.96% and 1.34%. An extension of these projections implies even slower growth of about 0.6% - 1.0% a year during 1991-2001.

This low aggregate growth is expected to be accompanied by significant variations in the rates of growth of different segments of the population. A substantial increase is expected in the working age population through 1986 (see accompanying table) while the school age population will contract or fluctuate depending on the course of future fertility. The structural shift towards an aging of the population will continue and accentuate itself after 2001.

These new projections of population for Canada, the provinces and the territories based on 1976 census data and recent demographic trends were recently completed by Statistics Canada for a forthcoming publication, *Population Projections for Canada and the Provinces, 1976-2001*. The publication will include four main series, i.e., Projections 1, 2, 3 and 4 reflecting alternative future trends in fertility and migration (only one assumption concerning future mortality was adopted). These series supersede the official projections published in 1974 (catalogue 91-514). For further information, contact Jeanine Perreault or K. Gnanasekaran (613-994-5204), Chief, Projections Section, Population Estimates and Projections Division, Census and Household Surveys Field, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1S 5A4.

Railway Carloadings, May 1978 — Advance Information

Railways in Canada loaded 18.3 million short tons (16.6 million t) of revenue freight in May, a drop of 20.5% from May 1977. During the latest month the carriers received an additional 2.1 million short tons (1.9 million t) from the United States, an increase of 2.7% from a year earlier.

Commodity movements showing notable percentage changes in volume from May 1977 included iron ore (-84.2%); pulpwood chips (20.5%); and potash (13.8%). The drop in loadings of iron ore was attributable to a major mining strike in Newfoundland and Quebec which has continued since mid-March.

In the first five months of 1978, rail freight loadings were 7.9% lower than in the January-May 1977 period, and receipts from the U.S. were down 5.0%. Cumulatively, iron ore loadings were down 48.3%, and salt fell by 33.1%. Logs and poles increased 23.7%; grains (other than wheat) rose 18.6%; newsprint paper was up 18.5%; pulpwood chips were 18.0% higher; and sulphur showed a gain of 17.9%.

For further information, order the May issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-001, 30¢/\$3), or, for seasonally-adjusted revenue freight loadings, contact Mr. J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Sales of Cement, May 1978 — Advance Information

Advance information on sales of cement as reported by Canadian producers for the month of May is now available.

For details, contact Gordon McWade (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending June 14, 1978

	Eastern Division	Western Division	Canada
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	1,779,116	2,463,949	4,243,065
Short tons, 1977	2,782,198	2,482,419	5,264,617
Metric tonnes, 1978	1 613 987	2 235 257	3 849 244
Metric tonnes, 1977	2 523 968	2 252 013	4 775 981
% change	-36.1	-0.7	-19.4
Cars, 1978	33,600	36,849	70,449
Cars, 1977	43,378	37,775	81,153
% change	-22.5	-2.5	-13.2
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	169,210	63,562	232,772
Short tons, 1977	149,326	56,368	205,694
Metric tonnes, 1978	153 505	57 662	211 167
Metric tonnes, 1977	135 466	51 136	186 602
% change	13.3	12.8	13.2
Cars, 1978	5,134	2,541	7,675
Cars, 1977	4,718	2,430	7,148
% change	8.8	4.6	7.4
Year-to-date			
Total carload traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	48,430,284	51,153,611	99,583,895
Short tons, 1977	59,222,632	50,216,107	109,438,739
Metric tonnes, 1978	43 935 215	46 405 775	90 340 990
Metric tonnes, 1977	53 725 868	45 555 286	99 281 154
% change	-18.2	1.9	-9.0
Cars, 1978	842,837	766,440	1,609,277
Cars, 1977	957,657	760,060	1,717,717
% change	-12.0	0.8	-6.3
Piggyback traffic:			
Short tons, 1978	3,854,491	1,387,355	5,241,846
Short tons, 1977	3,668,220	1,332,853	5,001,073
Metric tonnes, 1978	3 496 735	1 258 587	4 755 322
Metric tonnes, 1977	3 327 753	1 209 144	4 536 897
% change	5.1	4.1	4.8
Cars, 1978	116,604	56,030	172,634
Cars, 1977	112,239	57,180	169,419
% change	3.9	-2.0	1.9

The Eastern and Western Divisions, for statistical purposes, are separated by an imaginary line running from Thunder Bay to Armstrong, Ontario. Freight loaded at Thunder Bay is included in the Western Division while loadings at Armstrong are reported in the Eastern Division.

Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars.

All 1977 figures have been revised — 1978 cumulative data also revised.

Railway Carloadings, 7 Days Ended June 14, 1978 — Published Only in the Daily

Canadian railways loaded 3.8 million t (4.2 million short tons) of revenue freight in the above week, 19.4% less than a year earlier. A strike at iron ore mines in Quebec and Newfoundland again influenced total loadings and was primarily responsible for a 36.1% drop in traffic originating in the East. Western movements were also down during the latest seven days, declining 0.7% from the 1977 period.

Container-trailer (piggyback) shipments were up 13.2% over-all, rising 13.3% in the East and 12.8% in the West.

From January 1 through June 14, 1978, rail freight loadings totalled 90.3 million t (99.6 million short tons), a decline of 9.0% from 1977. Cumulative container-trailer (piggyback) traffic registered a gain of 4.8%.

For further information, contact Mr. J.R. Slattery (613-996-9271), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Steel Ingots, Week Ended June 24, 1978 — Advance Information

Preliminary steel ingots production for the week ended June 24 was 299,197 short tons (271 427 t), a decrease of 1.0% from the preceding week's total of 302,093 short tons (274 054 t). The comparable week's total in 1977 was 281,645 short tons (255 504 t). The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1967 of 183,227 short tons (166 211 t) equalling 100 was 163.3 in the current week, a revised 164.9 a week earlier and 153.7 one year ago.

For further information, contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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- Imports by Commodities, March 1978 (65-007, 80¢/\$8)**
- Monthly Review of Canadian Fisheries Statistics, April 1978 (24-002, 40¢/\$4)**
- Public Warehousing, 1976 (63-212, 70¢)**
- Primary Iron and Steel, April 1978 (41-001, 40¢/\$4)**
- Motor Vehicle Parts and Accessories Manufacturers, 1976 (42-210, 70¢)**
- Shoe Factories and Boot and Shoe Findings Manufacturers, 1976 (33-203, 70¢)**
- Monthly Production of Soft Drinks, May 1978 (32-001, 15¢/\$1.50)**
- Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products, May 1978 (32-022, 15¢/\$1.50)**
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Weekly Security Price Indexes

June 1978 — Advance Information

	Number stocks priced	June 23/78 This week	June 16/78 Week ago	May 26/78 Month ago
1971=100				
Investors Index	134	108.5	109.7	108.7
Industrials	85	101.2	102.5	101.8
Foods	9	116.0	115.8	115.2
Alcoholic beverages	5	92.1	94.7	95.2
Textiles and clothing	3	159.9	157.4	143.7
Pulp and paper	7	137.6	140.0	140.2
Printing and publishing	5	115.8	114.8	112.6
Primary metals	4	112.0	114.5	111.0
Industrial mines	6	71.8	73.9	76.7
Metal fabricating	9	180.0	182.5	180.6
Non-metallic minerals	4	112.2	112.8	104.4
Petroleum	8	99.3	99.3	97.1
Chemicals	5	116.6	116.1	112.0
Construction	5	314.0	316.2	300.7
Trade	15	93.1	93.8	90.0
Utilities and services	28	110.5	111.6	110.2
Transportation	6	141.4	144.9	143.7
Pipelines	5	92.9	93.4	91.6
Radio and TV broadcasting	5	134.4	133.5	128.3
Telephone	4	115.1	115.6	115.9
Electric power	3	142.8	143.8	143.2
Gas distribution	5	88.8	89.6	87.1
Finances	21	141.9	142.5	140.9
Banks	8	142.6	143.3	141.4
Investment and loan	9	132.6	133.1	132.1
Insurance	4	180.3	178.6	178.9
Mining Index	17	132.1	132.5	131.7
Gold	9	286.5	285.3	283.1
Base metals	8	58.1	59.3	59.1
Uranium	2	228.4	235.3	221.9
Primary oils and gas index	5	137.8	137.7	133.2

For further information, contact Information Unit (613-994-9957), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Key Economic Series, July 1978

During the coming month, the release of Key Economic Series data is expected to be in accordance with the schedule outlined below. Where a range of dates is given for a series, this represents the period within which publication of the data can be reasonably expected, the variability taking account of circumstances peculiar to each series. Any range may be exceeded on rare occasions, for reasons unpredictable at this time.

July 5 to 13: Industry Selling Price Index, month of May;

July 7 to 18: General Wholesale Price Index, month of May;

July 11: Labour Force Survey, month of June;

July 12: Consumer Price Index (National), month of June;

July 12 to 14: Wholesale Trade, month of May;

July 13 to 20: Retail Trade, month of May;

July 17 to 21: Building Permits, month of May;

July 18 to 20: Inventories, Shipments and Orders, month of May;

July 18 to 21: Employment, Earnings and Hours, month of May;

July 20: Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, month of June;

July 20 to 25: Index of Industrial Production, month of May;

July 20 to 25: Real Domestic Product, month of May;

July 21 to 24: Consumer Credit, month of May;

July 24 to 26: Labour Income, month of May;

July 26: Private and Public Investment in Canada, (mid-year 1978);

July 28: Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, month of June;

July 28 to August 9: Unemployment Insurance Statistics, month of May.

Notice of advance information availability: *Financial Flows*, 1st quarter 1978, advance information I on July 3 to 7; *Financial Flows*, 1st quarter 1978, advance information II on July 10 to 14; *Field Crop Reporting Series* No. 9, Telegraphic Crop Report, Canada, July 6, 1978 at 3 p.m. E.D.S.T.; *Field Crop Reporting Series* No. 10, Telegraphic Crop Report, Prairie Provinces, July 13, 1978 at 3 p.m. E.D.S.T.; *Field Crop Reporting Series* No. 11, Telegraphic Crop Report, Canada, July 27, 1978 at 3 p.m. E.D.S.T.

It should be noted that the August schedule of Key Economic Series will appear in the *Daily* on July 26, 1978.

For any inquiry concerning the release of these series, please contact Mr. Jack Kerr (613-992-1548), Production Planning and Scheduling Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Building Permits

April 1978

	Number of Dwelling Units			Value of Residential and Non-Residential Construction				
	Singles	Multiples	Total	Residential	Industrial	Commercial (\$'000)	Institutional and governmental	Total
Newfoundland	49	17	66	2,325	73	2,160	118	4,676
Prince Edward Island	100	2	102	3,868	342	370	15	4,595
Nova Scotia	431	74	505	17,338	601	4,869	14,008	36,816
New Brunswick	219	13	232	8,410	97	1,900	4,865	15,272
Quebec	2,921	1,972	4,893	151,065	15,653	34,084	27,968	228,770
Ontario	2,949	3,118	6,067	221,670	29,456	100,035	25,178	376,339
Manitoba	468	285	753	25,717	1,187	3,006	273	30,183
Saskatchewan	529	213	742	27,637	703	5,232	4,199	37,771
Alberta	1,869	1,655	3,524	137,601	16,362	81,834	28,020	263,817
British Columbia	1,385	771	2,156	86,204	5,450	31,838	7,672	131,164
Yukon	25	—	25	1,232	485	1,849	120	3,686
Northwest Territories	7	—	7	335	60	6	—	401
Canada — Unadjusted	10,952	8,120	19,072	683,402	70,469	267,183	112,436	1,133,490
Canada — Adjusted	8,263	8,467	16,730	578,046	68,224	296,066	138,128	1,080,464
Metropolitan Areas	5,500	6,146	11,646	421,167	47,898	209,709	73,619	752,393
Calgary	340	589	929	31,995	8,624	50,349	1,879	92,847
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	95	62	157	4,929	926	2,053	42	7,950
Edmonton	723	725	1,448	61,001	5,187	9,743	15,109	91,040
Halifax	139	23	162	6,479	—	4,316	13,608	24,403
Hamilton	183	68	251	11,345	1,879	2,695	981	16,900
Hull	55	9	64	2,548	—	1,462	185	4,195
Kitchener	113	22	135	5,427	1,265	314	50	7,056
London	102	302	404	8,033	1,412	474	570	10,489
Montreal	950	734	1,684	54,999	9,173	6,085	14,609	84,866
Oshawa	114	227	341	10,343	96	3,540	502	14,481
Ottawa	83	106	189	8,615	121	2,526	592	11,854
Quebec	406	567	973	29,000	522	14,781	2,110	46,413
Regina	140	28	168	6,715	523	1,066	1,834	10,138
St. Catharines-Niagara	119	80	199	6,911	1,257	1,300	26	9,494
Saint John	19	—	19	1,204	5	494	3,908	5,611
St. John's	14	10	24	982	—	1,881	118	2,981
Saskatoon	194	155	349	11,187	64	2,331	612	14,194
Sudbury	27	134	161	4,653	184	9,185	2	14,024
Thunder Bay	78	61	139	5,793	629	229	210	6,861
Toronto	604	1,203	1,807	73,056	10,141	65,378	13,711	162,286
Vancouver	522	573	1,095	42,609	1,785	22,605	2,198	69,197
Victoria	89	86	175	6,919	950	1,973	286	10,128
Windsor	82	116	198	6,948	2,010	2,171	214	11,343
Winnipeg	309	266	575	19,476	1,145	2,758	263	23,642

*Preliminary figures.*For further information order *Building Permits*, April 1978 (64-001, 70¢/\$7).**Building Permits, April 1978 — Advance Information**

The value of new building construction authorized, as reflected in permits issued by Canadian municipalities, rose 9.1% to a seasonally-adjusted \$1,080 million in April from \$991 million in March. In April 1977, the value of permits was \$1,028 million.

The gain in April was entirely in the non-residential sector of construction which totalled \$502 million compared to \$411 million in March. Commercial projects, which included a \$15 million shopping centre in Calgary and a \$10 million office building in Scarborough, rose to a seasonally-adjusted \$296 million (\$253 million in March). Institutional projects, which included a dental art building (\$13 million) on the campus of Dalhousie University, a college in Lévis (\$7 million) and a detention centre in Edmonton (\$8 million), rose to \$138 million (\$81 million in March). New industrial installations at an estimated \$68 million in April were down from March (\$77 million).

Residential permits remained unchanged at \$578 million (\$579 million in March). However, the composi-

tion by type of dwellings changed during April; single-detached homes which were at a seasonally-adjusted level of 9,340 in March fell to 8,263 in April, while collective dwellings rose from 6,895 to 8,467. In annual terms, the April program indicated a volume of 200,800 new dwellings compared to 194,800 units in March. In April 1977, the number of new dwellings authorized was 245,724 units.

Preliminary returns for the month of May reveal no major changes in the over-all level of permits issued, although some increases are expected in the Ottawa, Toronto, Winnipeg and Victoria areas.

For further information, order the April issue of *Building Permits* (64-001, 70¢/\$7), or contact J.P. Delisle (613-994-9312), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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(million of dollars)

		1977					1978				
		Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total	Res.	Ind.	Comm.	Inst. & Govt.	Total
Canada — Unadjusted	Feb.	353.6	49.9	174.6	67.4	645.5	350.5	47.6	141.9	84.8	624.8
	Mar.	719.4	61.0	176.6	133.1	1,090.1	572.8	55.2	246.0	84.6	958.6
	Apr.	773.9	88.3	199.7	85.6	1,147.5	683.4	70.5	267.2	112.4	1,133.5
Canada — Adjusted	Feb.	585.1	93.8	205.3	98.9	983.1	583.2	88.5	165.7	123.3	960.7
	Mar.	718.9	84.4	169.3	121.8	1,094.4	579.3	77.5	253.3	80.6	990.7
	Apr.	625.9	84.2	210.9	106.9	1,027.9	578.1	68.2	296.1	138.1	1,080.5
Canada Jan.-Apr. 1978											
Unadjusted		2,108.6	241.7	667.3	346.0	3,363.6	1,886.2	221.2	771.3	376.0	3,254.7
Newfoundland		7.2	.1	6.5	5.8	19.6	6.3	.5	4.9	1.9	13.6
Prince Edward Island		7.9	3.3	1.2	1.9	14.3	8.3	1.8	1.8	2.5	14.4
Nova Scotia		43.9	1.2	10.1	7.8	63.0	45.8	1.3	9.3	27.3	83.7
New Brunswick		19.1	1.0	9.9	2.5	32.5	15.5	4.1	10.5	8.7	38.8
Quebec		471.2	42.0	130.4	97.8	741.4	393.1	36.7	100.4	72.2	602.4
Ontario		707.9	124.0	205.0	107.2	1,144.1	530.3	105.2	281.6	73.3	990.4
Manitoba		81.3	8.4	23.7	14.1	127.5	84.7	3.1	17.1	31.9	136.8
Saskatchewan		80.0	7.2	29.2	6.8	123.2	70.6	1.7	19.0	16.5	107.8
Alberta		361.0	32.3	146.4	48.9	588.6	449.0	42.8	209.3	103.2	804.3
British Columbia		324.5	22.1	104.6	53.1	504.3	277.6	23.5	114.2	37.9	453.2
Northwest Territories		4.6	.1	.3	.1	5.1	5.0	.5	3.2	.6	9.3

Road Motor Vehicles: Fuel Sales, 1977 — Advance Information

Total net sales of gasoline in Canada on which tax was paid at the full road-use rate rose 2.6% to 7,320 million gallons (33 277 000 000 L) in 1977 from 7,135 million gallons (32 438 000 000 L) in 1976, according to figures reported by the provinces and territories. Net diesel fuel sales increased 8.5% to 1,050 million gallons (4 773 000 000 L) from 968 million gallons (4 400 000 000 L) in 1976. Net sales of liquefied petroleum gas decreased by 6.7% to 6.66 million gallons (30 300 000 L) from 7.14 million gallons (32 480 000 L) in 1976.

For further information, contact Mr. S. Mozes (613-996-9271), Surface Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Construction in Canada, 1976-1978 (64-201, \$1.40)

Capacity Utilization Rates in Canadian Manufacturing, First Quarter 1978 (31-003, \$1.40/\$5.60)

Dairy Products Industry, 1976 (32-209, 70¢)

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, June 1, 1978 (32-010, 30¢/\$3)

Production and Shipments of Floor Tiles, May 1978 (47-001, 15¢/\$1.50)

Additional Information

When names and telephone numbers are not provided, additional information can often be obtained from the regional User Advisory staff of Statistics Canada or from its Central Inquiries Service, Ottawa (613-992-4734).

Also, toll-free access to the regional statistical information service is provided in Charlottetown, Fredericton, Moncton, Saint John and Sydney by calling the operator and asking for ZENITH 22066. Throughout Saskatchewan, the Regina office can be reached by dialing 1-800-667-3524. Throughout Alberta, the Edmonton office can be reached by dialing 1-800-222-6400.

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Pay Rates Offered for Vacant Full-time Jobs, 1971-1977 — Advance Information

The Labour Division of Statistics Canada will make available, on request, pay rates offered for vacant full-time jobs. These rates are collected through the regular Job Vacancy Survey and are available to supplement the published job vacancy statistics.

The data are available as annual averages for Canada for the years 1971 to 1977. All occupations at the three- and four-digit levels of the Canadian Classification and Dictionary of Occupations with at least 100 vacancies in three out of four annual averages are included. They consist of the number of vacancies for full-time jobs broken out by hourly and weekly rated pay categories and the respective pay rates offered.

The pay rates are those reported by employers as offers to applicants for full-time jobs. They may or may not coincide with actual hiring rates. As the offered rates are entry rates they tend to be below the average rates of pay for employees in the establishment or the industry. Further, the offered rates do not take account of other earnings such as tips, commissions or bonuses.

Many employers report remuneration for vacant jobs as daily, monthly or annual rates. These rates have been converted to weekly rates and the corresponding vacancies are included with the category "vacancies for weekly paid jobs".

Data may be obtained by telephoning J.A. Boucek (613-992-2006), or Ms. M. Beaubien (613-996-7148), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Coal and Coke Statistics, February 1978 — Advance Information

February coal production decreased 0.3% to 2,903,559 tons (2 634 064 metric tonnes) from 2,913,013 tons (2 642 641 metric tonnes) a year earlier. Imports decreased to 9,833 tons (8 920 metric tonnes) from 68,496 tons (62 139 metric tonnes). Industrial consumers used 2,843,952 tons (2 579 990 metric tonnes) of coal, up 161,103 tons (146 150 metric tonnes) and 454,548 tons (412 359 metric tonnes) of coke, down 8,764 tons (7 950 metric tonnes) from February 1977.

For further information, order the February issue of *Coal and Coke Statistics* (45-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Energy and Minerals Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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Financial Flows

Advance information on the first quarter of 1978, for selected sectors, is now available from the Financial Flows Section.

For further information, contact G. Hughes (613-995-0851), Financial Flows Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Preliminary Unemployment Insurance Statistics, March 1978 (73-001P, N/C)

Corporations and Labour Unions Returns Act, Report for 1976 (Part II — Labour Unions), (71-202, N/C)

Financial Flow Accounts, Fourth Quarter 1977 (13-002, \$1.75/\$7)
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List of Canadian Hospitals (And Related Facilities), 1978 (83-201, \$1.40)

Sporting Goods and Toy Industries, 1976 (47-204, 70¢)

Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, June 1978 (32-009, 30¢/\$3)

Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, March 1978 (35-001, 30¢/\$3)

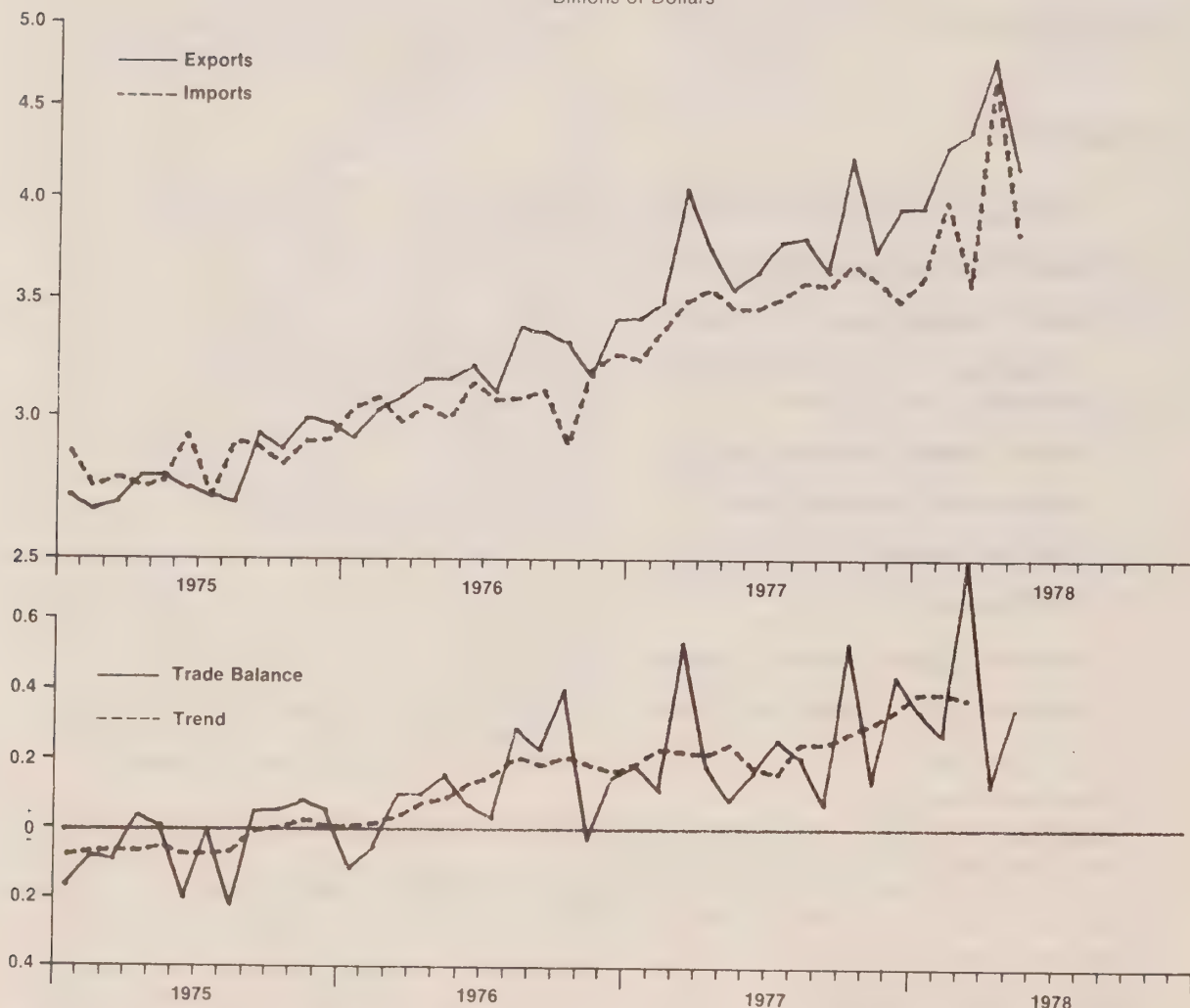
Mineral Wool, May 1978 (44-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

Oil Filters and Cartridges, May 1978 (41-016, 15¢/\$1.50)

Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, May 1978 (36-004, 15¢/\$1.50)

EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE: ALL COUNTRIES

Seasonally Adjusted
Balance of Payments Basis
Billions of Dollars



Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, May 1978

Canada's merchandise exports and imports, seasonally adjusted on a balance-of-payments basis, declined in parallel in May. After rising to a record high level in April, exports fell 13% to \$4,121 million in May, which was slightly below the average for the first quarter of 1978. Imports dropped 18% to \$3,778 million. The merchandise trade balance roughly tripled from the revised April surplus of \$127 million to \$343 million.

Seasonally-adjusted exports recorded a larger gain of nearly 9.5% to \$13,182 million, as compared with an 8.5% increase to \$11,941 million for imports in the

three months ending in May. The trade surplus accordingly expanded 18% from \$1,051 million in the months of December-February to \$1,241 million in the March-May period.

Exports (Customs Basis)

Seasonally-adjusted exports to the United States stood at \$2,836 million in May, down 15% from the record level of \$3,338 million in April. Despite this sharp reversal, exports totalling \$9,099 million in the (continued)

Merchandise Trade of Canada

	Customs Basis*		Balance of Payments Basis*				
	Unadjusted		Unadjusted		Seasonally Adjusted		Trade Balance
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports (\$ millions)	Exports	Imports	
1976							
First Quarter	8,836	9,132	8,597	8,956	9,014	9,082	-68
Second Quarter	10,136	10,029	10,112	9,848	9,487	9,158	329
Third Quarter	9,416	8,741	9,329	8,569	9,790	9,233	557
Fourth Quarter	10,009	9,543	10,094	9,420	9,841	9,320	521
1977							
First Quarter	10,347	9,972	10,311	9,823	10,881	10,045	836
Second Quarter	11,616	11,455	11,619	11,229	10,848	10,414	434
Third Quarter	10,608	9,910	10,627	9,869	11,116	10,579	537
Fourth Quarter	11,805	10,819	12,071	10,791	11,783	10,674	1,109
1978							
First Quarter	11,645	10,627	11,700	10,609	12,456	11,073	1,383
1977							
December	4,089	3,490	4,103	3,481	3,911	3,472	439
1978							
January	3,508	3,188	3,489	3,195	3,916	3,576	340
February	4,098	3,904	4,083	3,887	4,225	3,953	272
March	4,039	3,534	4,128	3,527	4,315	3,544	771
April	4,608	4,686	4,646	4,649	4,746	4,619	127
May	4,598	4,401	4,668	4,374	4,121	3,778	343

*In the above table, export and import totals are shown on both a "customs" and a "balance-of-payments" basis. The figures on a customs basis are the totals of detailed merchandise trade data tabulated from customs documents according to procedures and concepts explained in Summary of External Trade. The figures on a balance-of-payments basis reflect a number of adjustments applied to the customs totals to make them consistent with the concepts and definitions used in the system of national accounts. The adjustments include timing adjustments to exports of crude petroleum, natural gas and wheat and to receipts and payments for capital equipment deduction of transportation charges included in the customs returns and the reduction of import values calculated for customs duty purposes to values which reflect transaction prices. For more information about these adjustments, please refer to Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments (67-001, \$1.05/\$4.20).

three months ending in May were nearly 6% higher than the December-February level.

Canadian exports to overseas countries dropped 11.5% to \$1,215 million in May, following a decline of close to 3% in April. With the value of shipments not much changed to the United Kingdom and Japan, most of the reduction was concentrated in other E.E.C. and remaining countries. Seasonally-adjusted exports increased 14.5% to \$3,994 million in the three months ending in May, with all areas contributing.

Apart from small gains in exports of natural gas, chemicals and agricultural machinery, there was a widespread decline in May in shipments of other commodities. Decreases were recorded in exports of wheat, metallic ores, non-ferrous metals, crude oil, newsprint, petroleum products, steel, motor vehicles and automotive parts (from the exceptionally high April level). On the other hand, exports of most of these commodities rose substantially between the three-month periods of December-February and March-May. The value of deliveries of crude oil and natural gas to the U.S. declined over this period as did also metallic ore exports (on account of lengthy strikes affecting the Quebec-Labrador iron mines), while the contribution of automotive goods to the increase was minimal.

Imports (Customs Basis)

Seasonally-adjusted imports from the U.S. fell 19% to \$2,639 million in May, in contrast to a 30.5% jump in April. However, the May figure was only a shade below the average for recent months. At \$8,400 million,

imports during the three months ending in May stood nearly 11% above the previous quarterly period.

Similarly, imports from overseas countries declined 16.5% to \$1,166 million in May, following a sharper rise in April. Imports from the E.E.C. represented two-thirds of the decline. Likewise imports from this region recorded a rise greater than the entire overseas increase of some 4.5% to \$3,612 million in the months of March-May. Imports from Japan advanced nearly 6%, but arrivals from the remaining countries declined 2%.

With the exception of small increases in imports of coal and crude oil, extensive reductions occurred in May imports, including food commodities, industrial materials, machinery, motor vehicles and parts. The automotive group alone recorded a seasonally-adjusted decline of some \$300 million from unusually high April levels. Imports of automotive products, however, rose between the December-February period and the three months ending in May, but only slightly, in comparison with considerable increases recorded by many other commodities. The value of crude oil landings in the three-month period was about a quarter below the December-February total.

For further information on area and commodity trade, order the May issue of Summary of External Trade (65-001, 40¢/\$4).

(see tables on pages 4 to 9)

Table 1
Imports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1976							
Fourth Quarter	9,442.5	7,106.4	6,531.3	300.8	2,610.4	522.8	404.6
1977							
First Quarter	10,193.3	7,430.3	7,160.0	304.3	2,729.0	562.6	424.8
Second Quarter	10,640.5	7,687.6	7,562.5	324.1	2,753.9	601.6	439.5
Third Quarter	10,619.8	7,851.6	7,451.3	331.7	2,836.8	614.5	457.4
Fourth Quarter	10,702.3	7,795.7	7,456.3	321.3	2,924.7	578.9	481.3
1978							
First Quarter	11,094.5	8,171.4	7,682.5	352.9	3,059.1	714.1	513.6
1977							
December	3,481.0	2,524.5	2,392.6	103.3	985.1	191.3	160.7
1978							
January	3,572.2	2,623.3	2,479.7	109.9	982.6	220.6	164.6
February	3,971.4	2,917.8	2,702.6	127.4	1,141.4	239.1	197.9
March	3,551.0	2,630.3	2,500.2	115.6	935.2	254.4	151.1
April	4,656.0	3,380.8	3,260.5	152.4	1,243.1	322.4	234.3
May	3,805.4	2,837.4	2,639.0	116.8	1,049.6	204.5	168.2
			Percent changes				
May/April	-18.2	-16.0	-19.0	-23.3	-15.5	-36.5	-28.2
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	8.9	9.7	10.8	12.9	3.8	20.0	5.8
May 78/May. 77	7.8	9.9	6.6	8.4	11.0	1.2	9.3

Table 2
Imports by Principal Trading Areas

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	May 1978	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	May 1977	Apr. 1977	Mar. 1977	May	Apr.	Mar.
	(\$ millions)								
United States	3,133.5	3,365.8	2,573.1	2,813.4	2,561.9	2,652.3	11.3	31.3	-2.9
United Kingdom	136.3	153.8	118.7	122.3	99.6	126.4	11.4	54.3	-6.1
Other E.E.C.	239.4	314.7	237.3	229.9	185.5	198.0	4.1	69.6	19.8
Japan	193.5	219.6	147.1	168.1	136.5	153.3	15.1	60.9	-4.0
Other O.E.C.D.	109.9	124.8	92.6	115.1	102.5	105.4	-4.5	21.7	-12.0
Other America	233.8	231.8	146.8	223.4	214.7	235.2	4.6	7.9	-37.5
Other Countries	354.6	275.1	218.7	298.3	256.8	284.5	18.8	7.1	-23.1
All Countries	4,401.0	4,685.6	3,534.3	3,970.5	3,557.5	3,755.1	10.8	31.7	-5.8
	Year-to-Date						May-May Percent Changes		
	May 1978	Apr. 1978	May 1977	Apr. 1977	May 1976	Apr. 1976	78/77	77/76	
United States	13,840.1	10,706.7	12,355.9	9,542.6	10,776.5	8,406.8	12.0	14.6	
United Kingdom	634.2	497.9	529.7	407.4	491.6	399.5	19.7	7.7	
Other E.E.C.	1,204.3	964.9	944.2	714.3	808.7	633.3	27.5	16.7	
Japan	916.7	723.1	724.2	556.1	582.3	470.0	26.5	24.3	
Other O.E.C.D.	544.8	434.9	511.7	396.6	469.7	378.3	6.4	8.9	
Other America	1,069.9	836.1	1,057.8	834.3	825.2	641.3	1.1	28.1	
Other Countries	1,503.2	1,148.6	1,376.3	1,078.0	1,621.4	1,356.5	9.2	-15.1	
All Countries	19,713.2	15,312.2	17,499.8	13,529.3	15,575.4	12,285.7	12.6	12.3	

Table 3

Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	May 1978	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	May 1977	Apr. 1977	Mar. 1977	May	Apr.	Mar.
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	6.5	6.2	3.0	6.7	7.5	3.3	-2.2	-16.5	-10.3
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	310.7	334.7	234.9	307.5	251.4	280.1	1.0	33.0	-16.1
Meat and fish	41.3	43.2	34.7	47.0	40.5	40.6	-12.0	6.8	-14.4
Fruits and vegetables	123.5	118.0	83.8	96.4	85.7	86.7	28.1	37.7	-3.2
Raw sugar	14.8	14.7	0.0	24.3	11.9	4.9	-39.0	23.8	-99.7
Crude Materials, Inedible	543.6	432.8	296.0	488.7	444.6	386.3	11.2	-2.6	-23.3
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	60.0	74.8	21.1	50.3	52.5	15.2	19.3	42.5	39.0
Coal	80.3	14.4	0.4	87.7	21.9	2.3	-8.4	-34.3	-80.5
Crude petroleum	313.0	240.8	201.3	257.3	285.5	286.5	21.6	-15.6	-29.7
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	741.6	821.5	650.2	695.2	546.2	644.8	6.6	50.4	0.8
Wood and paper	70.9	71.7	60.4	63.6	51.9	67.5	11.5	38.2	-10.4
Textiles	89.9	108.6	82.1	90.7	72.0	79.9	-0.9	50.7	2.7
Chemicals	227.0	269.1	212.3	207.2	171.5	202.3	9.5	56.9	4.9
Iron and steel	90.8	90.8	73.5	101.4	59.5	68.1	-10.4	52.6	7.9
Bars and rods, steel	11.4	11.6	9.5	11.8	6.8	9.0	-3.3	70.8	6.2
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	27.8	27.4	21.7	28.4	18.4	19.3	-2.2	48.7	12.3
Non-ferrous metals	52.8	64.8	52.0	44.4	39.2	42.6	18.8	65.1	21.9
End Products, Inedible	2,591.9	3,036.3	2,318.7	2,429.8	2,275.2	2,406.3	6.6	33.4	-3.6
General purpose machinery	152.5	169.3	133.9	130.3	119.4	130.8	17.0	41.7	2.3
Special industry machinery	227.6	242.5	178.7	192.0	176.9	180.2	18.5	37.0	-0.7
Machine tools, metalworking	22.9	17.8	12.4	16.7	13.9	15.7	37.1	28.2	-21.2
Agricultural machinery and tractors	155.4	167.9	112.4	140.7	125.8	138.2	10.4	33.4	-18.6
Transportation equipment	1,223.7	1,469.2	1,129.9	1,207.1	1,188.1	1,148.7	1.3	23.6	-1.6
Passenger automobiles and chassis	377.7	383.5	316.9	358.2	340.0	329.4	5.4	12.7	-3.7
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	103.7	117.7	106.0	86.4	95.8	89.6	20.0	22.7	18.3
Other motor vehicles	33.3	35.8	26.3	35.7	37.4	38.4	-6.7	-4.3	-31.4
Motor vehicle engines	62.4	81.8	58.6	51.7	47.9	49.7	20.7	70.9	17.9
Motor vehicle engine parts	64.1	73.4	53.3	54.7	59.5	59.5	17.2	23.4	-10.4
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	470.3	625.4	447.7	498.6	514.2	474.2	-5.6	21.6	-5.5
Aircraft, complete with engines	11.3	23.8	21.1	15.8	7.6	8.4	-28.7	213.1	150.5
Other equipment and tools	464.4	555.1	423.3	401.9	357.2	432.2	15.5	55.4	-2.0
Electronic computers	56.3	78.5	58.6	43.1	40.4	51.8	30.5	94.2	13.0
Special Transactions, Trade	206.7	54.2	31.4	42.7	32.6	34.2	384.2	65.9	-8.0
Total	4,401.0	4,685.6	3,534.3	3,970.5	3,557.5	3,755.1	10.8	31.7	-5.8

New Motor Vehicle Sales, May 1978 — Advance Information

New motor vehicle sold in May totalled 151,884 units, up 8.6% from a year earlier. This included 90,106 passenger cars (up 9.0%) and 40,671 commercial vehicles (up 20.9%) manufactured in Canada and the U.S., and 19,632 passenger cars (down 11.1%) and 1,475 commercial vehicles (down 4.3%) manufactured overseas.

Total sales value increased 23.6% to \$1,082.3 million. Canadian and U.S. passenger cars sold for \$626.9 million (up 23.8%) and commercial vehicles for \$338.7 million (up 30.7%). Sales of passenger cars from overseas increased 5.4% to \$108.4 million and those of commercial vehicles increased 14.4% to \$8.4 million. Included in total commercial vehicles sold were 329 units of coaches and buses valued at \$6.8 million.

Seasonally-adjusted May sales of passenger cars manufactured in Canada and the U.S. increased 0.5% from April to 66,886 units and those of passenger cars from overseas decreased 10.0% to 15,246 units.

Similarly-adjusted sales of all commercial vehicles were down 3.0% to 32,055 units.

For the first five months of 1978, total sales reached 590,889 units (586,907 in 1977), with an accumulated value of \$4,079.8 million. This represented an increase of 10.9% in value over sales for January-May 1977.

For further information, order the May issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, 30¢/\$3), or contact M. Kwilecki (613-996-9304), Retail Trade Section, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

Table 3 (Continued)

Imports From All Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Year-to-Date		Year-to-Date		Year-to-Date		May-May	
	May 1978	Apr. 1978	May 1977	Apr. 1977	May 1976	Apr. 1976	78/77	77/76
	(\$ millions)						Percent Changes	
Live Animals	20.9	14.3	23.9	17.2	55.1	42.4	-12.6	-56.5
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	1,403.9	1,093.3	1,290.8	983.3	1,016.2	783.4	8.7	27.0
Meat and fish	209.0	167.7	206.8	159.8	200.4	154.0	1.0	3.1
Fruits and vegetables	484.3	360.8	405.4	309.0	319.5	249.7	19.4	26.8
Raw sugar	69.8	55.0	76.5	52.1	94.6	66.7	-8.6	-19.1
Crude Materials, Inedible	2,229.6	1,686.0	2,097.2	1,608.5	2,174.0	1,770.1	6.3	-3.5
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	233.0	173.0	174.6	124.3	138.8	103.7	33.4	25.7
Coal	110.5	30.2	142.4	54.8	157.1	90.2	-22.4	-9.3
Crude petroleum	1,438.3	1,125.3	1,345.0	1,087.7	1,511.1	1,277.5	6.9	-10.9
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	3,399.6	2,658.0	2,859.5	2,164.3	2,582.1	2,050.6	18.8	10.7
Wood and paper	310.5	239.6	286.2	222.6	348.1	284.0	8.5	-17.7
Textiles	442.9	353.0	378.4	287.6	364.2	290.4	17.0	3.9
Chemicals	1,065.3	838.2	862.8	655.6	717.6	564.3	23.4	20.2
Iron and steel	393.7	302.9	341.2	239.8	271.5	215.0	15.3	25.6
Bars and rods, steel	47.4	36.0	42.6	30.9	32.8	25.3	11.0	30.0
Plate, sheet and strip, steel	128.8	101.0	105.2	76.7	79.8	62.1	22.4	31.7
Non-ferrous metals	266.3	213.5	191.1	146.6	171.4	142.0	39.3	11.4
End Products, Inedible	12,308.2	9,716.2	11,051.2	8,621.4	9,543.0	7,495.2	11.3	15.8
General purpose machinery	700.0	547.5	590.9	460.6	553.6	439.7	18.4	6.7
Special industry machinery	1,007.5	779.9	885.8	693.8	842.6	644.2	13.7	5.1
Machine tools, metalworking	86.1	63.2	68.8	52.1	60.5	47.0	25.1	13.6
Agricultural machinery and tractors	633.0	477.5	635.4	494.7	584.4	450.5	-0.3	8.7
Transportation equipment	5,915.2	4,691.4	5,399.8	4,192.8	4,496.8	3,514.1	9.5	20.0
Passenger automobiles and chassis	1,602.4	1,224.7	1,473.9	1,115.7	1,186.1	917.3	8.7	24.2
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	478.0	374.3	429.0	342.6	360.5	276.0	11.4	19.0
Other motor vehicles	150.4	117.1	160.4	124.7	118.1	87.1	-6.2	35.7
Motor vehicle engines	310.3	247.9	227.5	175.8	225.1	173.2	36.4	1.0
Motor vehicle engines parts	308.7	244.5	278.9	224.2	192.7	151.5	10.6	44.7
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	2,484.3	2,013.9	2,325.7	1,827.1	1,962.3	1,548.5	6.8	18.5
Aircraft, complete with engines	70.1	58.8	45.4	29.5	43.6	30.5	54.3	4.1
Other equipment and tools	2,240.0	1,775.6	1,884.0	1,482.1	1,620.5	1,290.1	18.9	16.2
Electronic computers	306.3	250.0	223.8	180.7	154.8	121.9	36.8	44.6
Special Transactions, Trade	351.1	144.4	177.1	134.5	205.3	144.1	98.1	-13.7
Total	19,713.2	15,312.2	17,499.8	13,529.3	15,575.4	12,285.7	12.6	12.3

Motor Vehicle Production, May 1978 — Advance Information

Production of passenger cars totalled 112,027 units in May, down from 116,608 in May 1977. January to May production was 504,107 units in 1978 compared to 557,130 in 1977.

All commercial vehicles totalled 64,682 units compared to 54,473. Year-to-date production rose to 302,906 units from 263,409.

For further information, order the May issue of *Motor Vehicle Shipments* (42-002, 15¢/\$1.50), or contact Mr. T. Raj Sehdev (613-992-0388), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, April 1978 — Advance Information

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 1,102.6 million feet board measure (2 601 900 m³) of lumber and ties in April compared to 1,010.7 million feet board measure (2 385 000 m³) a year earlier.

January to April production increased to 4,278.3 million feet board measure (10 095 700 m³) in 1978 from 4,179.0 million feet board measure (9 861 300 m³) in 1977.

For further information, order the April issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Table 4

Total Exports, Seasonally Adjusted, Customs Basis

	Total	Total excluding cars	Total excluding cars and wheat	U.S.A. (\$ millions)	U.K.	Total excl. U.S.A. and U.K.	Other E.E.C.	Japan
1976								
Fourth Quarter	9,755.6	7,684.9	7,307.6	6,528.8	460.0	2,766.8	733.2	630.6
1977								
First Quarter	10,916.1	8,244.4	7,864.2	7,381.3	488.7	3,046.1	734.4	631.3
Second Quarter	10,845.1	8,326.5	7,891.6	7,640.3	483.0	2,721.8	666.8	642.6
Third Quarter	11,097.6	8,775.0	8,233.2	7,831.3	498.3	2,768.0	694.6	629.1
Fourth Quarter	11,516.7	8,690.4	8,220.7	8,173.5	476.2	2,867.0	673.4	615.0
1978								
First Quarter	12,514.6	9,684.5	9,347.6	8,735.7	511.7	3,267.2	740.3	697.6
1977								
December	3,896.8	2,954.6	2,794.1	2,778.3	175.0	943.5	240.4	183.9
1978								
January	3,937.2	3,032.1	2,912.0	2,894.1	148.0	895.1	212.4	216.8
February	4,242.8	3,363.5	3,220.5	2,916.3	178.3	1,148.2	259.0	252.7
March	4,334.6	3,288.9	3,215.2	2,925.3	185.4	1,223.9	268.9	228.0
April	4,708.0	3,670.3	3,465.8	3,337.8	200.6	1,169.6	261.4	274.0
May	4,050.8	3,149.7	2,992.8	2,836.4	201.4	1,013.0	199.9	264.3
	Percent changes							
May/April	-13.9	-14.1	-13.6	-15.0	0.4	-13.3	-23.5	-3.5
Current 3 months/ Previous 3 months	8.4	8.1	8.3	5.9	17.1	14.0	2.5	17.2
May 78/May 77	14.7	15.1	15.3	12.1	19.3	21.4	-9.3	34.6

Table 5

Total Exports by Principal Trading Areas

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	May 1978	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	May 1977	Apr. 1977	Mar. 1977	May	Apr.	Mar.
	(\$ millions)								
United States	3,209.7	3,390.7	2,973.3	2,737.1	2,575.8	2,766.0	17.2	31.6	7.5
United Kingdom	241.6	189.9	177.8	205.3	131.1	169.1	17.7	44.8	5.1
Other E.E.C.	224.8	226.2	213.5	252.8	175.9	207.8	-11.0	28.6	2.7
Japan	307.9	272.3	198.0	232.9	205.5	231.2	32.2	32.5	-14.3
Other O.E.C.D.	115.7	88.8	84.6	126.1	89.3	139.3	-8.2	-0.5	-39.2
Other America	137.2	178.9	171.3	181.7	135.1	155.7	-24.5	32.4	10.0
Other Countries	361.1	261.1	220.2	254.7	212.3	236.7	41.7	22.9	-6.9
All Countries	4,598.0	4,607.9	4,038.7	3,990.6	3,525.0	3,905.8	15.2	30.7	3.4
	Year-to-Date						May-May Percent Changes		
	May 1978	Apr. 1978	May 1977	Apr. 1977	May 1976	Apr. 1976	78/77	77/76	
United States	14,993.6	11,783.9	12,529.7	9,792.6	10,527.9	8,221.1	19.6	19.0	
United Kingdom	906.2	664.6	802.4	597.1	744.4	591.7	12.9	7.7	
Other E.E.C.	1,086.5	861.7	1,088.6	835.8	982.9	734.7	-0.1	10.7	
Japan	1,235.3	927.4	1,049.6	816.7	1,011.5	803.1	17.6	3.7	
Other O.E.C.D.	474.1	358.4	543.1	417.1	404.7	304.3	-12.7	34.2	
Other America	843.3	706.2	715.2	533.5	648.2	511.3	17.9	10.3	
Other Countries	1,311.5	950.4	1,133.4	878.7	1,002.5	779.8	15.7	13.0	
All Countries	20,850.5	16,252.6	17,862.0	13,871.5	15,322.1	11,946.0	16.7	16.5	

Table 6

Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Monthly						Year-to-Year Percent Changes		
	May 1978	Apr. 1978	Mar. 1978	May 1977	Apr. 1977	Mar. 1977	May	Apr.	Mar.
	(\$ millions)								
Live Animals	19.9	22.8	16.2	17.1	11.7	7.9	16.2	94.8	105.0
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	474.2	382.2	290.9	380.2	278.6	312.2	24.7	37.1	-6.8
Meat and fish	94.5	86.2	77.4	106.8	88.8	79.0	-11.5	-2.8	-1.9
Cereals and preparations	239.6	155.5	136.4	193.5	123.7	149.0	23.8	25.6	-8.4
Wheat	177.7	104.4	88.3	130.3	94.7	93.8	36.4	10.2	-5.8
Crude Materials, Inedible	738.2	725.2	659.2	803.0	684.7	717.4	-8.0	5.9	-8.1
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	207.1	166.5	161.1	262.9	162.5	183.3	-21.2	2.4	-12.0
Crude petroleum	111.1	132.8	131.1	155.4	153.5	132.0	-28.4	-13.5	-0.6
Natural gas	192.3	200.9	184.0	161.3	192.6	180.6	19.1	4.3	1.8
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	1,743.0	1,787.3	1,494.2	1,297.6	1,208.1	1,326.4	34.3	47.9	12.6
Wood and paper	842.1	853.5	724.8	660.9	645.4	673.9	27.4	32.2	7.5
Lumber, softwood	281.1	302.8	222.4	203.7	184.4	196.8	37.9	64.1	13.0
Wood pulp and similar pulp	189.6	177.2	165.7	195.8	185.8	195.4	-3.1	-4.6	-15.1
Newsprint paper	273.8	263.7	241.7	192.9	199.2	197.7	41.9	32.4	22.2
Textiles	12.3	14.7	11.8	12.3	7.9	11.7	-0.5	86.8	0.5
Chemicals	238.9	244.0	188.4	152.7	155.4	161.8	56.5	57.0	16.4
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	70.8	72.7	69.9	61.0	71.9	73.5	16.0	1.1	-4.8
Petroleum and coal products	50.4	57.6	58.7	37.2	43.2	58.8	35.5	33.1	-0.1
Iron and steel	125.8	133.1	110.3	102.3	90.4	84.6	22.8	47.1	30.4
Non-ferrous metals	349.8	339.8	268.3	229.1	183.0	242.2	52.6	85.6	10.7
Copper and alloys	52.2	48.8	42.6	44.4	35.1	54.2	17.4	38.9	-21.4
Nickel and alloys	88.1	76.1	58.7	44.7	34.6	29.6	97.1	120.1	98.4
End Products, Inedible	1,528.4	1,605.1	1,510.3	1,405.3	1,269.3	1,461.4	8.7	26.4	3.3
Industrial machinery	129.3	138.4	147.6	104.6	86.7	118.6	23.6	59.5	24.4
Agricultural machinery and tractors	81.3	58.9	45.7	66.9	58.7	63.6	21.5	0.2	-28.2
Transportation equipment	1,077.7	1,159.9	1,103.8	1,038.8	960.0	1,095.1	3.7	20.8	0.7
Passenger automobiles and chassis	377.1	446.2	410.8	420.8	423.2	470.7	-10.3	5.4	-12.7
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	191.9	215.1	240.9	176.6	164.0	177.7	8.6	31.2	35.6
Other motor vehicles	36.9	15.5	17.9	14.8	14.0	14.1	150.1	10.5	27.0
Motor vehicle engines and parts	93.0	101.2	89.9	83.7	79.4	88.7	11.1	27.4	1.3
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	289.0	295.5	239.6	236.7	212.9	237.2	22.0	38.8	0.9
Other equipment and tools	98.8	111.1	95.2	87.2	72.1	84.0	13.2	54.0	13.3
Special transactions, Trade	23.3	8.7	7.1	7.2	4.3	4.8	225.7	102.6	47.4
Total	4,527.1	4,531.2	3,978.0	3,910.3	3,456.7	3,830.1	15.7	31.0	3.8

Selected Principal Statistics for Commercial Printing

1975 and 1976 — Advance Information

S.I.C. 2860		1975	1976	% Change
Establishments	No.	2,078	1,978	-4.9
Manufacturing Activity:				
Production and related workers	No.	32,955	32,623	-1.0
Man-hours paid	000's	65,857	64,837	-1.5
Manufacturing wages	\$000	331,728	368,533	11.1
Cost of fuel and electricity	\$000	8,571	10,361	20.9
Cost of materials and supplies	\$000	565,430	613,032	8.4
Value of shipments and amount received for work done	\$000	1,353,952	1,465,025	8.2
Value added	\$000	783,783	844,338	7.7
Total Activity:				
Total employees	No.	43,485	43,353	-0.3
Total salaries and wages	\$000	478,481	529,373	10.6
Total value added	\$000	797,013	858,249	7.7

For further information, contact Mr. G. W. Barrett (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6. Complete data will be published in *Printing, Publishing and Allied Industries*, 1976 (36-203, \$1.40).

Table 6 (Continued)

Domestic Exports to all Countries by Sections and Leading Commodity Groupings

	Year-to-Date				May-May		Percent	
	May 1978	Apr. 1978	May 1977	Apr. 1977	May 1976	Apr. 1976	78/77	77/76
	(\$ millions)							
Live Animals	86.2	66.3	53.0	35.9	48.5	36.9	62.5	9.2
Food, Feed, Beverages and Tobacco	1,770.0	1,295.8	1,550.0	1,169.8	1,522.0	1,136.0	14.2	1.8
Meat and fish	412.6	318.2	374.6	267.8	313.4	232.2	10.1	19.5
Cereals and preparations	834.3	594.7	799.5	606.0	930.6	691.6	4.3	-14.0
Wheat	557.6	379.8	562.0	431.7	626.8	453.9	-0.7	-10.3
Crude Materials, Inedible	3,598.7	2,860.5	3,547.5	2,744.5	3,335.2	2,604.6	1.4	6.3
Metal ores, concentrates and scrap	889.3	682.3	952.7	689.8	829.4	589.3	-6.6	14.8
Crude petroleum	675.5	564.3	750.1	594.7	1,059.1	866.4	-9.9	-29.1
Natural gas	995.9	803.6	864.4	703.1	677.1	539.6	15.2	27.6
Fabricated Materials, Inedible	7,816.4	6,073.4	5,989.9	4,692.2	4,769.6	3,736.4	30.4	25.5
Wood and paper	3,753.2	2,911.2	3,070.8	2,409.8	2,379.4	1,856.8	22.2	29.0
Lumber, softwood	1,245.4	964.4	891.1	687.4	570.3	452.4	39.7	56.2
Woodpulp and similar pulp	853.3	663.7	928.0	732.2	861.3	691.9	-8.0	7.7
Newsprint paper	1,188.1	914.3	915.8	723.0	696.0	515.9	29.7	31.5
Textiles	59.7	47.5	48.5	36.2	44.6	35.9	23.1	8.7
Chemicals	962.7	723.8	722.7	570.0	576.5	470.6	33.2	25.3
Fertilizers and fertilizer materials	332.8	262.0	310.4	249.4	257.9	219.0	7.2	20.3
Petroleum and coal products	323.7	273.3	273.5	236.4	267.0	216.5	18.3	2.4
Iron and steel	565.0	439.2	429.7	327.3	326.8	252.0	31.4	31.4
Non-ferrous metals	1,505.1	1,155.3	1,022.4	793.3	895.6	683.6	47.2	14.1
Copper and alloys	253.4	201.2	215.8	171.4	217.4	172.5	17.4	-0.7
Nickel and alloys	370.1	282.0	163.2	118.5	160.0	122.9	126.7	2.0
End Products, Inedible	7,186.2	5,657.8	6,352.3	4,947.1	5,259.9	4,121.7	13.1	20.7
Industrial machinery	621.5	492.2	471.6	366.9	356.5	281.0	31.8	32.2
Agricultural machinery and tractors	264.8	183.5	273.1	206.2	250.7	193.2	-3.0	8.9
Transportation equipment	5,215.3	4,137.6	4,768.8	3,730.0	3,841.1	3,017.1	9.3	24.1
Passenger automobiles and chassis	1,924.6	1,547.5	2,008.0	1,587.2	1,610.5	1,266.2	-4.1	24.6
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	1,057.8	865.9	824.2	647.5	602.0	487.5	28.3	36.8
Other motor vehicles	98.9	62.0	63.3	48.6	58.3	44.2	56.1	8.7
Motor vehicle engines and parts	447.9	354.9	414.0	330.3	302.4	236.2	8.1	36.8
Motor vehicle parts, except engines	1,278.5	989.5	1,061.4	824.7	886.0	679.5	20.4	19.8
Other equipment and tools	470.1	371.3	375.9	288.7	321.7	250.6	25.0	16.8
Special Transactions, Trade	54.2	30.9	27.5	20.3	78.9	71.6	96.9	-65.1
Total	20,511.6	15,984.5	17,520.2	13,609.9	15,014.1	11,707.3	17.0	16.6

Electric Power Statistics, April 1978 — Advance Information

In April net generation increased to 26.4 TW.h from 25.0 TW.h in April 1977. Hydro generation increased 2.0% while thermal production rose 14.8%.

For further information, order the April issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

The Dairy Review, April 1978 — Advance Information

An estimated 1,471,032,000 pounds of milk were produced for all purposes in April, an increase of 2.5% from April 1977.

This brought the total estimate of production during the first four months of 1978 to 4,948,850,000 pounds, up 1.7% from the January-April period last year.

For further information, order the May issue of *The Dairy Review* (23-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. C.M. Riach (613-994-9974), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Sour Cherries, 1978 Crop Forecast — Advance Information

The Niagara Peninsula sour cherry crop was forecast on June 26, 1978 to be 35% less than the 1977 crop. Excess rain, hail, or wind may cause a slightly larger or smaller crop to be harvested in future weeks.

For further information, order the July issue of *Fruit and Vegetable Production* (22-003, 40¢/\$3), or contact K.C. Wardley (613-994-9994), Horticultural Crops Unit, Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0C7.

Integrated Court Statistics: Quebec, 1968-70 — Advance Information

Selected tables are available for indictable offences, 1968 through 1970, from the Integrated Court Reporting Program for the province of Quebec.

For further information, contact the Justice Statistics Division (613-995-0588), Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Detailed Energy Supply and Demand in Canada, 1976 — Advance Information

Advance information from the forthcoming publication (catalogue 57-207, \$1.05) is now available.

For further information, contact Ian Cavanagh (613-992-4021), Energy and Minerals Section, Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

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